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~~APPENDIX II.~~

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From Captain G. B. O'DONNEL,
Assistant Political Agent,
In charge Mália State.

To Colonel WILLIAM SCOTT,
Acting Political Agent, Káthiáwár.

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Mália, 2nd June 1893.

Sir,—I have the honour to forward my Administration Report for the year ending March 31st 1893.

2. I took charge of the Mália State on the 7th October 1892 from Captain Ashby who had held charge for a few days till my arrival at Rájkot.

3. The Táluka was taken under management for various reasons.

4. It appears that the State of mismanagement which had prevailed for some time in the Táluka forced itself into prominent notice, and the fact that bands of dacoits and outlaws who infested the Province always came homing towards Mália when pursued become more and more evident.

5. Miánás of Mália entered largely into the composition of these bands and it was notorious that these malefactors received secret sympathy if not actual assistance from the Thákor of Mália.

6. Enquiries were therefore instituted and depositions recorded during last rains, and subsequently by me, which, if there is an iota of truth in what the deponents have stated on oath, reveals an amount of complicity with criminals on the part of the Thakor, which taken in connection with his indebtedness and mismanagement of the Táluka and his absolute inability to rule the Miánás for good, would render him a most unsuitable person to have it in his power to sway the destinies of others. The Táluka was consequently attached and the Thákor removed from the Gádi, pending the final orders of Government, on the 10th September 1892, and the Thákor received orders not to enter Káthiáwár or Cutch without permission. He has since then resided at Poona and Bombay.

7. From the foregoing remarks it may easily be imagined that when I arrived at Mália a few days after assuming charge, and looked into things personally I found that their State was chaotic. The State records had been sealed by Lieutenant Pritchard when he effected the attachment and when I came to open the seals and have the records examined the state of the records of the various Departments afforded justification for the assumption that mismanagement had prevailed in the State. But it was also very evident that part of this confusion was the result of design, and no confidential papers were found, or any bearing in any way on the confidential history of the Táluka.

8. The revenue accounts had not been written up for about 2 months and it was very difficult to arrive at a knowledge of what recoveries had been made. It took some little time to work things into shape, and my budget for the current year was submitted in January last and a committee composed of Mr. Harilál Vithalrái as President and Messrs. Santokrám Chhotálál and Rámkrishna Joitárám as members was appointed in April last in accordance with Rule 15 of the Encumbered Estate Rules to report on the actual indebtedness of the Táluka. The committee have been given 3 months in which to complete their labours and I expect their report shortly, though their work has been greatly hindered

by the unwillingness of the Thákor to appoint a Táluka representative. After much correspondence on the subject we appointed Hirji Lavji, an old Darbár servant who was the most suitable man we could find.

9. The chief event in the history of the Táluka this year, subsequent to its attachment, was the total destruction on the 19th December 1892, of the gang of outlaws who under the leadership of Vála Námori had been giving so much trouble in the Province. This gang had recently attacked and plundered the Dhrángadhra village of Sápakda and the Morvi village of Zikiáli, and had, as usual, escaped without an organised pursuit being made.

10. It was well known that the gang was harbouring somewhere in the vicinity of the Mélia Táluka and so Lieutenant Gordon and his party of 25 Sabres Agency Mounted Police were transferred from Vánkáner to Khákhrechi. About that time the Political Agent had summoned me to Wawánia as a conference with the Political Agent Cutch was to be held regarding Wawánia Bunder matters. The evening before the Political Agent left Dahisra for Mánekváda he wrote to me desiring me to remain on at Wawánia for some time longer as there was much there that required supervision. I had however in the meantime been over to Mália for the day in connection with the rumoured escape of the gang towards Mélia, and on my return to Wawánia the same evening I wrote to inform him that I thought my presence more necessary at Mália than at Wawánia and that I was about to move my camp to Mália as soon as I could procure carriage. The following day I heard from the Political Agent to say that under the circumstances he thought Mália affairs required closer supervision than those at Wawánia, thus sanctioning the opinion I had formed. This was on the 17th December. He informed me also that Lieutenant Gordon would pass through Mália and asked me to render him any assistance I could.

11. I obtained carriage that day and moved my camp to Mália and came over myself on sunday 18th. Had I known when Lieutenant Gordon was passing through I would have ridden over on the evening of the 17th.

12. I found on arrival that Lieutenant Gordon had been to Mália on the afternoon of the 17th and had gone on to Khákhrechi, which was to be his Head Quarters. I wrote to him then to try and arrange a meeting.

13. At 3 P.M. on the 19th I heard that the gang had been seen in the neighbourhood of the Dhukávára and Kunplásar tanks near Wádharva and immediately started off with all the force I could muster (8 Sowárs, 13 Foot Police, 5 Rifles 23rd Bombay Rifles) in pursuit, and wrote to Lieutenant Gordon to inform him of my movements.

14. The country was deserted near these tanks and I could learn nothing at Wádharva so that much precious time was lost in searching for information till, making a wide cast across country we hit off the tracks of horses and at last met an old man, who after much questioning, admitted that he had seen a party of Sowárs riding northward between 2 and 3 hours previously. I learnt afterwards that the same spy who had sent to inform me, had himself gone to Lieutenant Gordon and reached him at about 1-15 P.M. He had thus nearly 2 hours start of me and had a shorter distance to travel to the tanks. We followed up the tracks and further on met a man who said he had heard shots being fired out towards the Runn, so we galloped forward and later on met an Agency Sowár and a Girásia of Wádharva who, I suspected, were running away, but who said that they were coming to inform me that Lieutenant Gordon and the whole of his party of Agency Sowárs had been killed. It was then just sunset and as we galloped on we came to a party of Morvi men who told us that the Sáhib had fallen further on on some rising ground. We then saw a flag raised by the outlaws and some shots were fired, and to my great satisfaction I saw that some Agency Sowárs, having taken cover had replied to the shots of the outlaws. It was no longer necessary to try and bring up any of the Morvi men; our pause had not been more than about 5 seconds, and ordering a general charge, we rushed on. Our onset carried Lieutenant Gordon's dismounted Sowárs on with it, and though some of the outlaws bravely stood up to oppose our men and 2 tried to escape, the whole gang was speedily shot down or sabred.

15. All resistance was over within 3 minutes of our arrival on the scene.

16. We recovered a large quantity of stolen property from the outlaws and some arms which, it is alleged, had been given to the members of the gang by the Mália Thákor.

17. The Agency Police behaved remarkably well on this occasion, for though it was evident when I arrived that they were staggered by the loss of their leader and were dazed for the time, yet they stuck to the outlaws and held the gang in check, and as soon as they received a fresh impulse and found that they were supported, they charged again and joined in the general onslaught with great keenness.

18. This episode has been made the subject of a long enquiry and a report has been submitted by Colonel Sealy in consequence of which the members of the police who took part in the affair are to be rewarded, and which I presume, for I have not seen it, contains a full account of how Lieutenant Gordon lost his life. His noble devotion to duty and splendid gallantry have brilliantly upheld the prestige of the British Officer among the people and such an example is likely to have a lasting effect upon a people like the Miánás.

19. There was a good deal of ferment among the Miánás after this episode at Karádia, and it was constantly alleged that the Thákor's emissaries were busy among them, urging them to "do something" and so show the Sarkár that the Thákors' absence had not resulted in any improvement in the state of affairs. No direct proof of this, of course, could be obtained, but the air was filled with rumours, and as I kept my finger carefully on the public pulse, I found that there was considerable agitation. It struck me that a show of force would be the best remedy to effect a subsidence of these symptoms and so I wrote to the Political Agent, suggesting that a small body of Troops would probably have a deterrent effect. A detachment of 50 rifles of the 23rd Bombay Rifles under Command of Captain Delamain arrived on the 26th December and later on a Detachment of 30 Sabres 3rd Q. O. Light Cavalry under Command of Lieut. Stack was posted at Kumbhária. There was considerably less effervescence among the Miánás when they saw that we had at hand a Force with which we could strike instantaneously and to some purpose.

20. There was a tendency among them to "go out", ostensibly to join Juma Gand's gang of outlaws, and two brothers, Ságan and Puna Mánek, obtained arms from some unknown source and went off, it was said into open outlawry, to join the Gands. I heard of their whereabouts on the evening of the 31st December 1892, so I secretly organised a search and we approached the locality from 4 points before daybreak the next morning and found these 2 men, with their arms concealed in a haystack. They were tried and sentenced to a severe terms of imprisonment and the tendency to "go out" received a check.

21. Things remained quiet till March and Captain Delamain and 35 Rifles and Lieut. Stack and 10 Sabres were withdrawn. The 15 rifles remain as a recruiting party and the 20 Sabres have been transferred to Khákhrechi for convenience in furnishing them with supplies.

22. There were no more dacoities till about the end of March, when a string of carts was stopped at the Kesmália Bir, on the Rann half way between Tikar (Dhrángadhra) and Paláswa (Cutch). One of the cartmen was killed by the robbers who, as usual, vanished. It was said that they were like Miánás.

23. The attack on Dhanála (Dhrángadhra) was after the close of the official year under report but it is convenient to mention it because I have reason to believe that most of those who were implicated in it were also concerned in the highway robbery at Kesmália. The attack took place on the afternoon of the 30th April last and news reached me at Wawánia, where I happened to be on the 1st. On the 2nd and 3rd I had to be at Morvi as those were the only 2 days on which the Morvi Thákor could meet me to make final arrangements regarding the proposed extension of the Tramway, prior to his departure for Europe on the 6th Instant.

24. But I reached Mália on the 4th and in consequence of private enquiries I at daylight on the 5th arrested 16 Miánás on suspicion, 12 of whom have since been identified by men from Dhanála as having been members of the gang that attacked the village. The other 4 men may possibly be recognised by some of the Dhanála men who are wounded and have not yet been able to leave their homes.

25. On the 7th I learnt that I might hear further news at Khákhrechi, so I moved my camp there on the 8th and there received information that 2 of the Girásiás of Piludi (Morvi) were implicated. I have had reason to suspect these 2 men for some time, and I therefore communicated with the Morvi authorities. The 2 Girásiás were sent to Mália, shown among a number of other men to the Dhanála men and immediately pointed out as having been among the gang. Mr. Souter Superintendent of Police, Dhrángadhra, arrived at my camp on the 14th and I handed over the further investigation of the case to him.

26. I cannot, of course, mention my sources of information here, but I believe them to be good ones, and as the Miánás appear to be considerably staggered at these suspects having been thus suddenly apprehended without any warning, I am in hopes that this bolt which has been shot out of the blue, as it were, will by showing them that we possess good information of their doings, serve to check the tendency towards gang robbery, not unattended by murder, to which they are so unhappily prone.

27. Last February and part of March were the months during which a great many marriages were celebrated in the Province and the Superintendent of Police wrote to me on the subject, asking me to keep some check on the Miánás as they were much given to looting marriage processions. Since it was impossible for me to keep the whole Miána population in the Táluka at the time, as owing to the suspension of agricultural operations, there was no employment locally by which they could obtain a livelihood, the experiment was tried of calling upon all of them who wished to go to Rájkot, Wadhwán or elsewhere for work, to furnish security for good behaviour while away from Mália. The result was satisfactory as no marriage processions were reported to have been robbed.

28. The great desiderata for the Táluka and the people appeared to be,

(*a*) to bring the State and people more into immediate contact with the outside world, and the executive authorities of the Province and

(*b*) to provide work by which the Miánás can earn a living when not employed as agriculturalists.

29. An extension of a Railway to Mália by connecting it with the Morvi system at Morvi, or by continuing the long mooted Dhrángadhra Wadhwán line on to Mália viá Halvad and Khákhrechi, and hence on into Cutch, would, of course, go farther to reduce the inhabitants of this Táluka into an orderly population than anything else, but these schemes were too large to be initiated by Mália especially in its present crippled financial condition, and after much correspondence, and some conferences with the Thákor of Morvi, a scheme was drawn up and submitted to the Political Agent at the beginning of this month, to connect Mália with the Morvi-Wawánia tramway by a branch to Cháchávadar. It is hoped that sanction to begin this line will be received within the next few days, so as to permit of the earthwork being completed before the rains set in for this will ensure communication with the Railway and afford a means of livelihood to the poorer inhabitants who find the last month of the hot weather the most difficult time during which to obtain subsistence. And the line itself, will, because of the constant work required on it, afford employment to a certain number of the people.

30. It is a significant fact that since it has been known that a scheme for this line has been submitted, 3 mercantile firms, 1 at Bombay, 1 at Mándvi and the other at Ahmedábád have made overtures to me with a view to establishing branch houses here. The best results therefore may be hoped for from the construction of this line.

31. The "Báwal Vid" which occupied a large area on the eastern side of the Machhu River, opposite Mália, had more than once afforded sanctuary to gangs of outlaws and other

miscreants, and as the land occupied by it is highly fertile it seemed to me to be greatly to be deprecated that it should be allowed to remain in a condition to harbour offenders and not be made to yield such revenue as it ought to, to the Táluka. After correspondence, sanction was obtained to clear away the "Báwal Vid," leaving such a fringe of trees along the bank of the river as would guard the land against erosion by the river when in flood, and to establish a village there for the new cultivators. The new village of "Fatehpur" was therefore established, with suitable ceremonies, on the 28th March 1893 and the land occupied by the "Báwal Vid" apportioned out among the cultivators, clearing the land fortunately afforded occupation for a large number of the indigent population, and the whole of it is now under tillage.

Education.

32. There are 6 schools in the Táluka, those at Mália and Khákhrechi being, as might be expected, the best. The attendence is small, compared to the population, but at Mália the Miánás set very little store by education, while at Khákhrechi the cultivators find their sons, even while quite children, too useful in the fields to care to let them "waste their time at school" as one of them naively observed to me when the subject was under discussion. Steps are being taken to increase the attendence. As usual, it is the trading and official community who avail themselves most largely of the educational facilities afforded them.

33. The satisfactory results of the last examination held by the Deputy Educational Inspector show that the Education imparted is good and that the boys who attend must respond heartily to the efforts of their teachers.

34. The school masters are zealous and efficient men.

35. None of the school buildings are really suitable, but the erection of others was not a question which could be taken in hand this year.

36. A small reading room and library were opened at Khákhrechi last March for the educated community and is, I am told, regularly used. Of course, only vernacular publications find a place in it.

Weather and Crops.

37. The season has only been a moderate one. The rainfall was 23 inches and the greater part of it was seasonably distributed, and the rain crops promised well. But they were damaged by heavy rain towards the latter part of September last and the greater part of the grain was blighted and much reduced in value.

38. The cotton crop promised an exceptionally fine yield, but a sharp frost which occurred on the night of the 6-7th February blighted large areas of it entirely and considerably damaged it in other places, so that the yield generally throughout the Táluka was barely an 8 anna one. This frost has been regarded as a positive calamity by the people, and the partial failures of both crops have materially affected the resources of the Táluka.

39. 1 new well was dug and taken into use in the Táluka making a total of 51 used for irrigation and these watered an area of 320 Bighás of land.

Public Health.

40. The Public Health has been indifferent. There was a great deal of fever, of a virulent type, just before and during the rains and there was a slight outbreak of cholera at Khákhrechi about the middle of October, but I believe this was due to unsuitable food brought and consumed at the place by some wedding parties.

41. There was a certain amount of fever during the autumn but it was not unusual.

42. I think I may say without the possibility of raising a dissentient voice, that Mália, when I first saw it, was nearly, if not quite, the most insanitary and dirtiest town I ever saw. There was no corner of it, except the actual precincts of the Thána, which was not a veritable dung heap, while the streets seemed to be the natural receptacles for ordure. A certain amount of apathy and opposition had to overcome and the use of conservancy carts impressed upon the people. A very marked improvement has been effected in the condition of the town, which, I believe, is being gradually appreciated by the people.

43. Khákhrechi is kept in fairly good order, by the conservancy measures adopted there. The other villages are neither better nor worse in this respect than those in the vicinity.

44. The dispensary is doing very good work and appears to be much appreciated by the people. 2,518 patients were treated by the Medical Officer during the year, a number which shows that people outside Mália have sought relief here. This dispensary is most unsuitably located in what appears to have been a shop, but funds are not available this year to erect a proper building. A change was made in the medical arrangements by the appointment of Mr. Samuel Daniel to the Dispensary as Táluka Medical Officer last January. He has made himself very popular and attracted a large number of patients.

Public Works.

45. The most pressing need was a residence for myself during the coming rains and a suitable house is being constructed on a site a few hundred yards north-west of the Town of Mália. For the cost of this Rs. 4,000 have been allotted in this year's budget, and the balance, for office, out buildings &c. will be met by allotments next year. Small sums, amounting in all to less than Rs. 1,000, have been expended in repairing the Town fences and gates, public buildings and roads.

46. Did fiscal embarrasments not interfere, this year would have afforded an excellent opportunity for the construction of 2 Bunds across depressions near Kájarda and Chikhli to prevent the flood water of the Rann from overflowing and impregnating with salt a large tract of land which lies between the 2 villages named and Wádharva. These Bunds would effect the reclamation of roughly, something near 15,000 acres of land which would soon become culturable, but which at present is useless. However, the means are not available this year and the Bunds remain matter for future consideration. I merely mention them because they formed a subject of correspondence with the Political Agent.

47. The Miánás have been permitted at their own cost to make a cutting to a point 3 feet above the present level of the water in the Machhu River, through a bed of rock which blocks the mouth of the Kájarda Nála. They hope thus to obtain a good flow through the Kájarda Nála during the rains and so improve their water supply.

Law and Police.

48. The Mália Thána was formerly garrisoned by the Agency Police but on my arrival it appeared advisable that there should not be a dual control over the Police here. The Agency men were therefore recalled as soon as the necessary number of men could be enlisted for the Mália Police.

49. 81 offences were reported compared to 71 last year at Mália 86 offenders were sent up for trial of whom 74 were convicted. Last year the numbers were 80 sent for trial and 54 convicted.

50. The theft of property worth Rs. 550-7-2½ was reported to the police this year, of which property worth Rs. 454-14-6 was recovered. The figures last year were Rs. 383-5-3 and Rs. 313-3-3 respectively.

51. As our police is entirely a Protective Force, the majority being recently enlisted Patháns, many of whom know nothing of Gujaráti, the recovery of so large a percentage of the property stolen, appears to be satisfactory.

52. There were no serious crimes committed in the Táluka, the large majority of the offences were theft. The Miánás prefer to reserve their serious crimes for places beyond the limits of the Táluka, so as to be able to return to it for sanctuary.

53. While on this subject I would invite attention to the fact that one of the most fruitful sources of serious crime among the Miánás, and the cause of nearly all the outlawries, murders and nose cuttings which have occurred during a long period, is the gross immorality of the Miána women. It is the commonest thing for a man to return to his house after an absence of a few hours and to find that his wife has taken up her abode with a neighbour whom she will leave for another man before her husband can obtain any redress for the first misdemeanour. They distribute their favours in the most wanton manner and appear to have very little, if any regard for descent living or the sanctity of any ties. And the Mukhis have several times approached me with a view to submitting a petition to Government to have the provisions of Section 497 Indian Penal Code modified in the case of Miána women so as to admit of their being tried with their partners in misbehaviour and punished as their abettors.

54. 238 persons in all were arraigned before the various Courts in the Táluka of whom 195 were convicted and 43 discharged.

55. 13 criminal appeals were filed during the year and one was outstanding from last year, making a total of 14. Of these 8 were disposed of during the year and 6 remained over for disposal at its close. In connection with these 6 appeals, I may mention that they were filed during the Thákor's time and that there was nothing on the Judicial records to show that they existed. The papers connected with them were mixed up among piles of miscellaneous papers which I am having sorted and filed and indexes made of those which appear to be of any value. And it was only quite recently that their existence was discovered. However dates of hearing have been fixed and they will soon be disposed of.

56. There is a Jail in the Thána at Mália and a lock-up at Khákhrechi. 16 prisoners were confined in the Jail at the close of last year, 259 were incarcerated during the year and 275 released. The cost of their maintenance was 750-2-4.

57. There were 40 prisoners remaining in the Jail at the close of the year.

Civil Jurisdiction.

58. There were 145 cases remaining over for trial at the close of last year. 61 cases were filed this year making a total of 206. Of these 93 cases, involving a money value of Rs. 9,642-6-9 were disposed of before the close of the year.

59. 45 civil appeals were disposed of. None remain in arrears.

60. 10 applications for the execution of decrees remained over from last year and 17 new ones were filed. Of these 10 were disposed of.

Establishment.

61. Mr. Vajeshankar Manishankar was Thánadár throughout the year and Mr. Jagjivan Uttamchand Vahivatdár of the Khákhrechi division of the Táluka and Mr. Jagjivan Trikamji, Vahivatdár of the Mália division.

62. These Officers have performed their duties with zeal and ability.

63. Jamádár Mabamad Bákar a pensioned Native Officer was transferred from the Agency Police to the newly organised Mália Police last November. I had occasion to bring him to the favourable notice of the Political Agent in connection with the fight at Karádia and I find him a capable and energetic Officer.

64. In my own office, it gives me much pleasure to inform you that I have received loyal and valuable assistance from Mr. Nánálál Himatrám my Sarishtadár. Mr. Motilál Chhaganlál, my Head Clerk has also performed his duties satisfactorily.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

G. B. O'DONNEL, Captain,
Assistant Political Agent, In charge Mália.

All Statistical Appendices were sent to the Assistant Political Agent, Hálár, on the 29th April 1893 as I had not then received any intimation that a report would be required from me.

G. B. O'DONNEL, Captain,
Assistant Political Agent, In charge Mália.

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~~APPENDIX IV.~~

No. 332 OF 1895.

From Captain G. B. O'DONNELL,
Assistant Political Agent,
in charge Mália.

To Colonel G. E. HANCOCK,
Political Agent, Káthiáwár.

Jámnagar, 20th June 1895.

SIR,—I have the honour to forward the Annual Administration Report of the Mália State for the year ending 31st March 1895.

9th June 1894 to 1st October 1894.
14th October 1894 to 11th November 1894.
17th December 1894 to the end of the year.

2. I was in charge of the State throughout the year and in addition to this I have held charge of the Office of the Assistant Political Agent, Hálár, during the periods noted in the margin.

3. Messrs. Jagjivan Uttamchand, Thánadár of Mália, and Jagjivan Trikamji, Vahivatdár of Khákhrechi, held charge of their respective appointments throughout the year.

4. There were some changes among the minor officials during the year.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

TELEGRAPH.

5. One of the most noteworthy events during the year was the opening of the Telegraph Office at Mália early in June, and the effect of our having this rapid means of communication at our disposal has been very marked. The mercantile classes also make a good deal of use of the wire for the earnings of the office already amount to more than 4 per cent. on the initial cost of the line. But its value became most apparent when we were momentarily threatened with a recrudescence of the troubles which had marred the peace of the Province of late years.

ESCAPE OF DHANÁLA CONVICTS.

6. I received a telegram from the Diván of Dhrángadhra on the 24th July 1894 to inform me that 7 of the Dhanála gang had escaped from the Dhrángadhra Jail during a storm the previous night. This enabled me to take measures to prevent their entrance into Mália territory. Later in the day the Diván telegraphed that 5 of the 7 escaped convicts had been recaptured and one had been killed, and again he telegraphed that the missing convict was Ragha Kheta Baidáni of Kájarda.

7. Before we had the wire it would have taken 2 days for this information to reach us and the men might have been in our midst arranged for their future shelter and gone before we could act.

8. Ragha then obtained arms, and began to commit highway robberies. Our private information shows that he obtained a sword from Piludi and a double barrelled gun from a friend at Kájarda; (there was a second report that he got this gun from Bela). Some bad characters were attracted to him at once and we soon heard that the party had committed 3 robberies on routes across the Rann. But as Mália territory was closed to them as a refuge, they kept generally to the Cutch side.

9. On the 18th November he and his gang committed a robbery on the border of the Rann within the limits of Morvi. A tracking party of Morvi people followed the gang next day and Ragha, who had separated from his associates was seen by Pagi Vasta of Venásar, going towards the broken ground at Mota Karádia. Information of this robbery had reached Mália and Fouzdár Mahomad Bákar had already set out to assist the Morvi party. Pagi Vasta met the Fouzdár near Kájarda and informed him about the man he had seen near Karádia. The Fouzdár hastened on and near Karádia, scattered his small party to find traces of the man. He and Bháwa Pagi of Mália, when far out on the Rann discovered some tracks which Bháwa declared were Raghá's and the 2 of them ran the foot-prints to the neighbourhood of Haripur where the Fouzdár suddenly came upon Ragha who had concealed himself in a small pit. He fired at the Fouzdár from a distance of a few yards, but reserved his left barrel. The Fouzdár then sent Bháwa Pagi to hurry up the rest of the small party, who had been delayed, when he signalled to them to rejoin him by a strip of deep slush, while he himself watched Ragha alone, exchanged several shots with him, and more than once called upon him to surrender.

10. In the meantime 3 or 4 men of his party arrived on the scene and the Fouzdár again called on Ragha to surrender and then led a rush upon him. Ragha fired upon the party as the men advanced, fortunately without hitting any of them, and was then himself shot down.

11. This incident has had good results and has brought the fact home to the Miánás that Malia territory is no longer a safe refuge for malefactors, and that if they compel us, reluctantly, to proceed to extremities, they suffer for it.

12. Fouzdár Mahomad Bákarkhán's conduct in this affair deserves special mention for his resolute behaviour was all that it should have been. He acted with courage and without precipitation for he called upon Ragha to surrender several times and only charged him when the man refused to lay down his arms. His action in keeping a well armed man, who was safely entrenched, he himself being without cover in the open, pinned to the spot, while he sent his only follower to hasten up the rest of the party affords an example of how men ought to behave under such circumstances. He never allowed Ragha a chance of escaping though Ragha fired at him some 6 or 7 times and, with this example before them it seems hardly necessary to add that the few men who joined him in time, behaved with dash and courage.

13. It was my pleasing duty to report his behaviour to the Political Agent on the 24th November 1894 who in his No. 5166 of the 28th idem saw fit to express his satisfaction at the Fouzdár's conduct and to direct me to convey this to him. I rewarded the men who had taken part with him in this affair with a trifling money present from the Police Fund.

14. Later on His Highness the Ráj Sáheb of Dhrángadhra sent me Rs. 300 to distribute among my men as a mark of his appreciation of their conduct.

15. I have mentioned this incident at length because it is the only instance I know of in which a State official has opposed himself single handed to any of these desperadoes, and it particularly merits notice because the Fouzdár could not be aware at first that Ragha was alone and not accompanied by some of his party.

JUMA GAND.

16. I received information at 9-45 P.M. on the 5th April 1894, that this notorious outlaw had been to the Barál Tramway Station that afternoon with one of his gang, tied up

the man in charge, and gone, no one knew where. My private information was that he contemplated passing through Mália to Cutch after interviewing some Miánás en route. I had the Táluka carefully patrolled that night and next day and learnt later that he had been foiled in his attempt to communicate with these particular Miánás. He then went into Dhrángadhra limits where Mr. Souter accounted for him.

17. During May 1894 a dacoity was reported to have been committed near Rájkot and I found that a party of Miánás were the culprits. Soon after this I had the perpetrators of the offence, with others, confronted with the men who were robbed, but these latter were afraid to identify the men, and no other evidence was obtainable. This is the only instance of gang robbery that the Miánás have been guilty of during the year, and though there have been cases of cutting off of noses and, beatings with bludgeons and similar crimes of violence among them, they have generally been better behaved than during the previous year. I am hopeful about their ultimate reformation but we cannot expect exemplary conduct from them yet. Their traditions for generations past have been those of lawlessness and rapine, the people of the country side encourage them in their misdoings by showing only too plainly that they are in terror of the Miána name, and circumstances have so long afforded them immunity that they are, even yet, surprised when retribution overtakes them. But it is very satisfactory to observe that they are cultivating their lands better than I have noticed them doing hitherto. I trust this is a sign that they will become more settled in their habits as time advances and less prone to listen to the persuasions of ill-advisers who still sometimes recall to them the deeds of Isa Mánek, Wála Námori, and other notorious rascals, with the hope of stirring up some effervescing spirits among the young to emulate them. This was done so secretly that it was only by chance that we have come to know of it.

18. As it has not, however, resulted in trouble, I think we may hope that some tangible improvement is being wrought among the Miánás and that they are perhaps beginning to realize in what their true interest lies.

19. The hot weather, when no agricultural operations are in progress, is always the time, when these people are most difficult to handle. This year about 200 families of them again found occupation at Khárághora, where Mr. Bulkley was kind enough to employ them last year on my recommendation, and another 200 families found employment at the Lálpuri works later on. A few also were engaged at Wadhwán. Thus all the poorer ones were provided with means of earning their livelihood and kept busy under a certain amount of supervision.

20. The superintending Engineer Indus Left Bank Division wrote in his letter No. 603, dated the 12th February 1895 offering to provide employment for any number of these people up to 5,000 on the works at Jámráo Canal for 5 years; but with ample employment so near at hand as Khárághora and Lálpuri none of them cared to go.

21. The experiment of inducing some young Miánás to enlist in the 23rd Bombay Rifles at Rájkot, though at present a failure from a military point of view, for nearly the whole of them were dismissed by sentence of Court Martial for insubordination, has not, I think, had a bad effect altogether and I yet hope to induce some of the better sort to enlist with happier results. For the whole of those who were dismissed have besieged me with prayers for re-employment and promised amendment, and the few whom I have thought it well to employ have behaved well.

22. Thus on the whole I think we may fairly say that the Miánás are realizing that quiet behaviour conduces more to their comfort than their former practices. But signs are not wanting that the skin of the ethiopian retains its pristine hue, that the character of a community does not change entirely in consequence of the application for 2 years of a more consistent policy, and I think that the time when they can be trusted to refrain from violating the sanctity of person, life and property without the guidance of a European hand is not in the immediate future.

The Rájkutumb.

23. The Chief of Chhota Udépur, who was the Thákor of Mália's son-in-law, died during February last and Rs. 500 were allowed to the Thákor for the purpose of performing certain rites connected with his demise.

24. It is very satisfactory that Kumár Shri Ráisingji, who lost his elder wife towards the end of last year, has profited by advice and become reconciled to his younger wife, a Málwan lady from whom he had been estranged for some time, she has come to live at Mália.

Weather and Crops.

25. The season was an unusual one, but on the whole the out-turn of the crops, Rabi and Kharif taken together was fair. The total fall of rain during the year was 41·81 last year it was 19·88. There was a heavy fall of rain about the middle of June which was general over the country. This caused a high flood in the Machhu river, but did no damage as sowing operations began soon after the subsidence of the water.

26. From the 9th to the 14th July however a violent storm accompanied by heavy rain passed over the country side, the Machhu river rose in an unprecedentedly high flood and this and the force of the wind and rain caused extensive damage in the State. The river water invaded the town of Mália and washed down a number of houses, burst the Bunds of several tanks, washed away the Tramway and rendered the whole country impassable for days. No post reached Mália for 4 days. There was not a house in Mália itself that did not suffer, either through the flood or the storms and all the people in the State were reduced to great straits, till the weather cleared and measures could be adopted for their relief. At Khákhrechi the rush of surface drainage into the Tank was so great that a considerable portion of the stone Bund near the Darbár was washed away and the whole of the lower town flooded. Fortunately there was no loss of human life, though hundreds of head of cattle and sheep and goats and innumerable deer, hares and birds were swept down by the floods.

27. The seed grain which had been sown was all destroyed and when the state of the land permitted it nearly all cereals had to be re sown.

28. The water supply of the year was threatened because the tanks and wells were filled with silt and debris.

29. The later rain was scanty and in some cases crops suffered for lack of it, but the cultivators worked well, difficulties were overcome. An ample supply of drinking water was ensured before the hot weather arrived and the people were encouraged to make the best of such opportunities as the season afforded. The Ágtar crop of course suffered by having to be re-sown so late as after the beginning of August and its yield was barely an "8 anna" one, but the "Pástar" crops, *i. e.*, wheat and cotton, were good and compensated for the comparative scarcity of the early harvest.

30. Every effort is made to encourage the people to be good cultivators and as the Kunbis find year after year that their crops are safe from the continual pilfering to which they used to be subjected, it is hoped that they will make greater exertions to raise better ones.

Education.

31. There are 6 schools in the State and the results of the examinations held by the Deputy Educational Inspector during the year were satisfactory. I was very well satisfied also with what I saw of the working of the schools on the occasions when I visited them. The average daily attendance remains about the same, viz., 310 compared to 309. The Miánás remain as apathetic as before about sending their children to school and their average attendance is about 30, as last year. These are all the sons of certain fairly well-to-do men who recognise the advantages to be gained by educating their boys, the rest of them seem to look upon hours spent at school as waste of time.

32. The English classes which have been started at Mália and Khákhrechi are doing very well. A Miána boy has joined the English class at Mália. It is satisfactory to find that some of the Kunbis of Khákhrechi have listened to advice and sent their sons to school. A beginning has been made and we must hope that this example will be followed by others.

33. I hope we shall be in a position to open night schools at the beginning of the next budget year for the benefit of the cultivating classes.

34. The girls' school at Mália was moribund when I dismissed the old teacher and induced the Educational Inspector to take the school over and send me another master. The attendance has risen from 9 to 16 during the last month or so of the year and this is all that can be said about it.

35. I have induced some of the Girásiás, who are too poor to send their sons to the Tálukdári Girásia School at Wadhwán, to send their sons to Mália. The boys board with friends and attend the school daily. Five boys attend at present, which is a very fair number for the Bháyáts. They are all learning English and their periodical progress reports show that they are working fairly.

Ráisingpur.

36. Though the lands comprised in this village have yielded a larger revenue than they did when the tillers lived at Mália, the out-turn did not come up to our expectations. This was because the second flood which occured about the middle of July washed away a large quantity of the seed grain, which had begun to sprout, and re-sowings were necessary over a considerable area as soon as the state of the land permitted their being undertaken. These sowings, some of which were not completed till well on in August received but a scanty rainfall and so did not produce a flourishing crop. Still, in spite of drawbacks, Ráisingpur helped to enhance the revenue, and if the promise of the first year of its existence is borne out, the village ought to prove to be a flourishing one.

Fattehpur.

37. This village suffered more than any other during the second flood. Its position is not exposed to a remarkable degree, but the violence of the storm and rain in July beat down the houses, many of which subsided into mere heaps of mud. A number of the village cattle were also swept away by the river. The flood on this occasion was higher than any of the people remember and it is therefore to be hoped that we shall be spared such visitations for some time to come. Measures have been adopted to ensure the safety of the people in the village in future.

Khákhrechi Lands.

38. The new land taken under cultivation at Khákhrechi has yielded good returns.

Reading Rooms.

39. A Reading Room has recently been opened at Mália in a small State building, in response to a wish expressed by the Traders and some of the Bháyáts, and promises to flourish.

40. That at Khákhrechi is doing very well.

Sale of Town Land.

41. The Trading community of Mália had for some time been anxious to purchase the sites of their shops and dwellings. During the Thákor's time a few favoured persons had been allowed to purchase the sites of their tenements, but for inadequate sums and without

proper title deeds. The sanction of the Political Agent was therefore obtained to the sale of the town lands and a Committee was appointed to classify them in accordance with certain rules which we drew up. The sales of these sites realized Rs. 5,569-1-4, of which the 1st instalment of Rs. 2,550-10-11 was paid at once and the 2nd instalment will shortly be recovered. This arrangement has proved very gratifying to the people, and has also benefited the State as the amount of Vero has risen from Rs. 294 to Rs. 379 per annum.

Dispensary.

42. This institution continues to be appreciated in the neighbourhood and has afforded relief to 4,981 patients this year. The Medical Officer, Mr. Samuel Dániel, is a careful and painstaking man and appears to have become popular among the inhabitants, not only of Mália but of the surrounding villages. 1 major and 95 minor operations were performed during the year. There is also a medical practitioner at Khákhrechi for the benefit of the people there. The Dispensary was inspected by Surgeon Lieut.-Colonel Barker and Surgeon Captain Herbert during the year and these officers expressed an opinion that it was as well managed as it could be under the circumstances. The building which it occupies is however unsuitable and it was my intention to turn the present school-house into the Dispensary as soon as we could get a new school-house built. I provided for one in the current year's Budget, but the proposal was deferred by the Political Agent. I hope to be able to arrange for this in the next Budget.

43. These Medical Officers also inspected the vaccinated children.

44. There were no epidemics during the year and the public health was good.

Trade.

45. Mália was not an entrepot of trade but its commerce has recently received a great impetus and an export and import traffic has begun, which, if carefully fostered, will add considerably to the property of the State. The Tramway traffic languished at the beginning of the year—His Highness the Thákor Sáheb of Morvi seemed to lose all interest in the Mália branch, said it could never pay and so on. Of course his people took their cue from him and the Mália Traders began to experience anything but facility when attempting to transport their goods by the Tramway. This naturally gave the cart traffic an impetus and the Tramway returns fell very low. I took an opportunity of speaking to His Highness about this matter about the end of last year and am glad to say that I was able to persuade him to treat the Mália branch of the Tramway more liberally. The result has been most gratifying for he has since then found it profitable, as I anticipated 2 years ago, to run a regular service of tram trains for goods, while the passenger traffic has also increased.

Public Works.

46. The financial position of the State at the end of the previous year did not warrant our providing for any considerable Public works. It was intended to build a school-house at Mália and another at Khákhrechi but the Political Agent thought the project had better be postponed.

47. The chief items of expenditure on Public Works were those incurred on repairs to roads and buildings and providing relief works for the people after the storm in July. Small sums were also spent in planting and tending trees and in assisting cultivators to construct 4 new wells.

Law and Police.

48. There are 3 Courts in the State viz, :—

The Court of the Assistant Political Agent exercising the powers of an Assistant Sessions Judge and District Magistrate in criminal matters. In civil suits it has power to try cases up to Rs. 10,000.

2. The Court of the Mália Thánadár, 2nd Class Magistrate, is also a committing Magistrate, has power to try cases up to the value of Rs. 5,000 in civil suits.

3. The Court of the Khákhrechi Vahivatdár, 3rd Class Magistrate, has power to try cases up to the value of Rs. 250 in civil cases.

49. Ázam Mahomad Bákarkhán was the Fouzdár of the State throughout the year.

50. There are 57 drilled police including the Fouzdár, Jamádár 14 Savárs and 2 Camel Savárs. They are fairly trained.

51. Besides the above there are 78 village policemen.

52. 41 offences in which 45 persons were concerned were reported to the police this year, against 59 concerning 74 persons in the preceding year. They were all sent for trial and 36 persons were convicted and 9 discharged. The percentage of accused persons convicted was therefore 80 against 75·67 the last year.

53. Property to the value of Rs. 983-9-7 compared to 343-6-8 last year was reported to have been stolen; of this property worth Rs. 529-10-7 was recovered as against Rs. 55-7-8 last year. The percentage of property recovered to property stolen is therefore 53·85. This is more satisfactory.

54. In all 201 offences were reported to all the Courts of the Táluka. Last year the number was 264. The decrease in the number of offences is due to the greater amenability of the Miánás to authority, as last year there was a large percentage of offences under Section $\frac{188}{1}$.

55. Altogether 276 persons were tried during the year of whom 212 were convicted and 52 acquitted leaving 6 pending trial and 6 committed to the Court of the Assistant Political Agent.

56. The offences consisted of—

4	Voluntarily causing grievous hurt.
15	do. hurt.
1	Robbery.
6	House-breaking.
25	Theft.
150	Of other kinds.
201	

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57. Fines to the extent of Rs. 528-4-0 were imposed during the year of which Rs. 465 were recovered leaving a balance of Rs. 63-4-0 to be realized.

58. 11 criminal appeals were filed during the year. All these were disposed of.

59. There were 17 appellants concerned in the 11 appeals. The decision of the Lower Court was confirmed in the case of 14. In the case of 2 it was reversed and in the case of 1 was modified.

60. There are 2 lock-ups in the Táluka, one at Mália and the other at Khákhrechi. 20 prisoners remained over from last year and 98 were admitted during the year making a total of 118; of these 109 were released during the year leaving 9 at the close of the year.

61. The maintenance charges of these prisoners as well as of those who are undergoing their sentences in British Jails amounted to Rs. 1,277-6-10. The average daily number of prisoners was 9·83 as against 14·6 last year.

Civil.

62. There were 31 cases remaining on the files at the end of last year and 112 new cases were admitted during the year making a total 143, of these 72 cases involving the amount of Rs. 26,000-3-1 were disposed of leaving 71 cases pending decision. 4 civil appeals filed during the year, 1 remained over at the end of the year making a total of 5, of these 1 appeal was disposed of and 4 remanded to the Lower Court during the year.

63. 16 applications for execution of decrees of the Civil Courts were in arrears last year and 70 new ones were filed making a total of 86; of these 41 were disposed of leaving 45 in arrears. The Thánadár's attention has been drawn to this large number of applications for execution of decrees remaining to be dealt with.

Liquidation of debt.

64. Owing to the dispute with regard to the Morvi and Cutch debts and some Committee cases having been remanded by the Judicial Assistant to this Court the liquidation scheme has not been sanctioned by the Political Agent. The papers regarding the claim of Morvi and Cutch are before Government for decision. 2 cases have been disposed of and dates have been fixed for the hearing of the others.

Municipal Department.

65. There is proper municipal establishment at Mália and the sanitary arrangements are supervised by Dr. Samuel. The annual cost of this department is Rs. 1,010-2-2, which is expended in conservancy charges, watering roads and lighting.

Establishment.

66. The Thánadár Mr. Jagjivan Uttamchand and the Khákhrechi Vahivatdár Mr. Jagjivan Trikamji have continued to perform their duties to my entire satisfaction.

67. The Treasury Kárkun Rámshankar Nathushankar and the 1st Kárkun Parshotamrái Ranchhoddás have also worked well.

68. I had occasion to bring the good work done by the Vahivati Kárkun Kála Ruda to your notice and you were pleased to appoint him an Assistant District Accountant last October as a reward for his services, and at my request allowed him to remain at Mália.

69. I have already mentioned one conspicuous instance of the good work that was done by my Fouzdár Mahomad Bákarkhán—he has given me complete satisfaction in the manner in which he has performed all his duties.

70. In my own office, Mr. Nánálál Himatrám has continued to prove himself to be the capable, zealous and reliable official that I have always found him, and has rendered me valuable assistance.

71. Mr. Motilál, the English Clerk, was transferred to the Sorath Pránt last August and Mr. Thákorlál Uttamrám was appointed in his place. These 2 officials and Kárkun Bhimji Nánji have done their work satisfactorily.

72. The statistical returns have been sent to the Assistant Political Agent, Hálár, for incorporation with the general returns of the Pránt.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

G. B. O'DONNELL, Captain,
Assistant Political Agent, in charge Mália.

SUBJECT.
Annual Administration Report of the Mália State.

APPENDIX V.

No. 234 OF 1896.

From Major G. B. O'DONNELL,
Assistant Political Agent, in charge Mália.

To Colonel J. M. HUNTER,
Political Agent, Káthiáwár.

Camp Bálachadi, 9th May 1896.
19th

SIR—I have the honour to forward the Annual Administration Report of the Mália State for the year ending 31st March 1896.

PERSONNEL.

I was in charge of the State throughout the year in addition to my duties as Assistant Political Agent, Hálár Pránt, by Government Resolution No. 4378 of the 11th July 1895 Mália was made an additional charge to the Assistant Political Agent, Hálár, with an allowance of Rs. 150 per mensem.

Mr. Jagjivan Uttamchand was appointed Manager of the Mengni Táluka and relinquished his charge of the Mália Thánadár's office on the 1st November 1895. Mr. Máneklál Ládhábhái who held charge till the close of the year, succeeded him.

Mr. Jagjivan Trikamji held charge of the Khákhrechi Vahivatdár's Office throughout the year.

There were some changes among the minor officials.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

The year, as regards Mália, was a remarkably peaceful one. In fact, it was probably the first for many years that the Miánás have not maintained the unenviable notoriety that they have earned for themselves in the Province. The consequence of this is apparent on the roads, in the Northern Districts where one now constantly meets wayfarers travelling singly or in small parties without escort, and by the decrease of crimes of violence in the vicinity of the Mália State.

Only two events have occurred to cause any talk in Mália itself and these were so trivial that they are noticed to explain how peacefully the year has passed. But at the same time I must utter a note of warning, for though the Miánás are remarkably quiet at the present moment, the character of the people has not undergone such a radical change, because of 3½ years careful supervision that they can be trusted to remain law abiding and peaceful, without the most untiring vigilance for some years to come. The deeds of outlaws and murderers, whom they regard as heroes, still furnish them with themes for song and story and the spirit of lawless enterprise which has always been one of their traits is by no means

eradicated, though it is held in check and controlled. It was only by continual pressure on the one hand and allurement on the other that a few of them have at last been induced to send their children to school, and still their number falls far short of what it ought to be. However, they have been amenable to persuasion this year and I feel very hopeful that their progress towards good behaviour will accellerate as they realize in what their true interest lies. With careful handling for the next few years they will probably become as law abiding as any other community in the Province. But for some time to come there must be only one authority in the State and that authority must be in the hands of a European. The dual control that existed for several years, the Thánadár having jurisdiction over the Miánás, while the Chief exercised authority over the rest of the populatiion did not work well, for it has come to my knowledge that the Chief was indifferent to the apprehension of offenders putting the blame of every crime on the Miánás while certain Thánadárs were not as active in bringing them to justice with a view to showing how peacefully they behaved under their control.

The first of the events I have alluded to was the escape of a prisoner named Rasang Dhuya while working in the garden at Mália. He was undergoing a sentence of 4 years rigorous imprisonment for housebreaking and causing hurt with a spear when, through the foolishness of the head Mali, he got an opportunity of escaping from the garden. Where he was working on the 25th September 1895, of which he availed himself. All sources of assistance were immediately closed against him, and though he succeeded in obtaining arms, it is stated from Kutch, and is alleged to have committed one or two petty thefts, he received no aid from Mália people and refrained from entering the limits of the State. He hung about its borders however to try and obtain help and just a month after his escape, was arrested in rather sorry plight by two Pasáitás of Morvi near the Jájásar-Mália boundary. He was found in possession of a double barrelled gum, ammunition and a knife. The Pasáitás did well and were rewarded for the capture.

The other event was that on the 12th March 1896 the Postal Runner, on his way to Mália from Khákhrechi was attacked, beaten and robbed of the mail bag by two men, with masked faces, near Ujar Vadusar. They left him bound and made off with the wallet which they evidently thought contained valuables. The Runner could not identify either of them, but both the culprits were arrested by the Police next day and the whole of the stolen property the mail bag and all its contents recovered. And the delinquents were convicted and punished. I venture to say that four years ago neither would Rasang Dhuya have been captured within a month of his escape, nor would the perpetrators of the mail robbery been arrested and the whole of the stolen property been recovered within 24 hours of the commission of the crime.

Báhirvatiás.

No Miánás were in outlawry during the year.

Miánás in Sind.

As the hot weather advanced and living at Mália became less easy the idea of going to work on the Jamráo canal was again mooted among the Miánás and ultimately 75 families went to Sind in 3 detachments. At first they seemed to be contented there, but they shortly began to give trouble to the Officers in charge of the works. I sent my Fauzdar, Jamádár Mahmad Bákar, to enquire into their grievances and found that they suffered a good deal from the climate and that some of them had died. But they promised amendment in their behaviour. I then sent one of their most influential Mukhis to act as Mukaddam of the gang—the man first sent having proved unable to control them—And things went peaceably for a short time till two or three deaths took place among them which they attributed to bad water. They then left the Jámráo works in a body and went over to the Kotri Rohri Railway works where they have been employed during the last few months and are giving no trouble. A good many of them found employment on the Jámnagar Railway works so that there has been no difficulty about their finding means of liveli-

hood this year. And I am glad to be able to say that the revenue matters in Mália appears at last to have arrived at a satisfactory state. The year we took over charge the receipts amounted only to Rs. 57,970. They have been steadily rising till this year they amounted to Rs. 1,15,354.

We began the year with a balance in hand of Rs. 35,000 which will enable us to carry out some necessary public works and improvements some of which should yield a profit hereafter, as well as to pay off something over the stipulated Rs. 15,000 to our creditors. The state ought now, under ordinary circumstances, to enter upon a term of continual prosperity, for its revenues should increase as soon as we can put some money into the land, and we are able to do this for the first time this year.

The Ráj-Kutumb.

The Muli wife of Thákor Shri Modji died last December and Rs. 1,000 were allowed to him for her funeral ceremonies.

Thákor Shri Modji and his daughter Kesar Kuvarba, widow of the late Chief of Chota-Udepur, proceeded to Benares during February. On their way back to Ahmedabad Shába daughter of Ráisingji, the heir-apparent, who was of their party, died.

A third son was born to Kumár Shri Ráisingji on the 18th March last.

Gumánsingji, Kumár Shri Ráisingji's eldest son joined the Rájkumár College during the year, while Kumár Bhimsingji, nephew of the Thákor joined the Tálukdári-Girásia School at Wadhwán.

Weather and Crops.

The total fall of rain during the year was 24·6 inches last year it was 41·81 inches. On the whole the out-turn of the crops was fair. The rain came late but it fell seasonably and the first fall sufficed for sowing. But the later rain was scanty and the Paster crop suffered to some extent from drought. We were again troubled by a yellow grub which damaged the cotton crop to some extent.

The scantiness of the late rain also caused apprehensions about the supply of the drinking water but this difficulty was overcome before the hot weather came to accentuate it.

Our Agtar crop was a good one and the deficiency in the quantity of the yield of cotton was compensated for by our catching the top of the tide in the market and realizing very satisfactory prices.

It seemed to me that certain tracts of land in the State are excellently adapted for the cultivation of sugar-cane, but none of the cultivators would make the essay of growing it because, they said, the Miánás would steal every cane before it was fit to cut. This year, however, two of them have planted patches of sugar-cane, which is coming up very well.

The experiment is a sign of the times and will be an interesting one to watch.

An epidemic of what the people called small-pox broke out among the cattle and destroyed a good many.

An outbreak of cholera occurred at Navágám, a village 6 miles south of Mália, last November. 25 persons were attacked and 9 cases proved fatal.

Education.

The number of the schools in the State remains the same, viz., 6 and the daily attendance is 322, while last year it was 310. The Miánás are still very apathetic about sending their sons to school, but I was glad to find that there has been a slight increase in the

number of Kunbi boys who attend the schools. The results attained at the annual examination held by the Deputy Educational Inspector were satisfactory and whenever I visited the schools I found them making satisfactory progress. The English classes at Mália and Khákhrechi are popular and fairly attended.

Kumár Gumánsingji has joined the Rájkumár College where he appears to be doing well and Bhimsingji, the Thákor's nephew has gone to the Tálukdári-Girásia School at Wadhwán. Sanction has been received for new school buildings at Mália and Khákhrechi where they are urgently wanted and we hope to have them completed within the next few months, when I propose to turn the present school-house at Mália, with slight alterations into the Dispensary.

Trade.

The traffic through Mália continues to grow as is proved by the fact that His Highness the Thákor Sáheb of Morvi finds it worth his while now to run a daily tram-train for goods to Mália. The telegraph line also has proved of great use to the mercantile community as well as to the administration, and its receipts have realized our anticipations so far that it is at least self supporting.

Public Works.

No new building were constructed last year, as we had no funds at our disposal, the usual sums were spent in repairs to existing ones and roads, and in planting and watering trees and in helping cultivators to dig five new wells. Such balance as we estimated was applied to the liquidation of the debt on the State.

Liquidation of Debt.

Rs. 11,411-4-11 were paid towards the liquidation of the debt on the State last year and Rs. 15,000 have been provided in the current year's Budget for this purpose, but we anticipate that we shall be in a position to pay more than this before the year closes.

Dispensary.

This Institution continues to be appreciated in the neighbourhood and has afforded relief to 3,979 patients. The Medical Officer is a painstaking and careful man and has become very popular in Mália and the surrounding villages. No major and 150 minor operations were performed during the year. There is also a medical practitioner at Khákhrechi. For the convenience of Orthodox Hindus a native physician is subsidised by the State. Cholera broke out in Navágám last November when out of the 25 persons attacked 9 died.

Vaccination.

The head-quarters of the Vaccinator are at Khákhrechi; 428 children were vaccinated in the year under report while in the preceding year 345 children were vaccinated.

Jail.

There were 9 prisoners in confinement at the beginning of the year under report. 51 new prisoners were admitted into the jail so in all there were 60 prisoners. Of these 14 remained at the close of the year. Four prisoners were transferred to Ahmedabad Central Jail before the end of the year.

Law and Police.

There are three Courts in the State, viz :—

The Court of the Assistant Political Agent, exercising the powers of an Assistant Sessions Judge and District Magistrate in criminal matters. In civil suits it has power to try cases up to Rs. 10,000.

(2) The Court of the Mália Thánadár, 2nd Class Magistrate, is also a committing Magistrate, has power to try cases up to the value of Rs. 5,000 in civil suits.

(3) The Court of the Khákhrechi Vahivatdár, 3rd Class Magistrate, has power to try cases up to the value of Rs. 250 in civil cases.

(4) The first Kárkun of the Mália Thána was invested with the powers of a Third Class Magistrate, in criminal cases only, and to try cases under Section $\frac{188}{1}$ of the Indian Penal Code, by the Political Agent, Káthiáwár, in January last.

Ázam Mahmad Bakarkhán was the Fauzdár of the Mália State throughout the year.

There are 57 drilled Police including all ranks. These are fairly trained. Besides the above there are 81 village Policemen.

24 offences in which 25 persons were concerned were reported to the Police this year against 41 concerning 45 persons in the preceding year. They were all sent for trial and 20 persons were convicted and 5 discharged. The percentage of accused persons convicted was therefore 83·3 against 80·0 the last year.

Property to the value of Rs. 796-9-7 compared to Rs. 983-9-7 last year was reported to have been stolen. Of this property worth Rs. 776-9-7 was recovered as against 529-10-7 last year. The percentage of property recovered to property stolen is therefore 97·48. The only stolen property not recovered consisted of Rs. 20 worth of Koris stolen from a Baniá's shop. This is more satisfactory.

In all 117 offences were reported to all the Courts of the Táluka. Last year the number was 201. The decrease in the number of offences is due to the greater amenability of the Miánás to authority.

Altogether 151 persons were tried during the year of whom 107 were convicted and 44 acquitted.

The offences consisted of—

2 Attempt to commit murder.
3 Voluntarily causing grievous hurt.
2 Kidnapping.
20 Voluntarily causing hurt.
1 Robbery.
7 Criminal trespass.
17 Theft.
65 Of other kinds.

Fines to the extent of Rs. 667-14-0 were imposed during the year, of which Rs. 282-6-0 were recovered, leaving a balance of Rs. 385-8-0 to be realized.

Four criminal appeals were filed during the year under report and were all disposed of.

There were 6 appellants concerned in the 4 appeals. The decision of the Lower Court was confirmed in the case of all.

There are two lock-ups in the Táluka, one at Mália and the other at Khákhrechi. Nine prisoners remained over from last year and 51 were admitted during the year, making a total of 60. Of these 46 were released during the year, leaving 14 at the close of the year.

The maintenance charges of these prisoners as well as of those who are undergoing their sentences in British Jails amounted to Rs. 1,121-0-6. The average daily number of prisoners was 5 as against 9·83 last year.

Civil.

There were 71 cases remaining on the files at the end of the last year and 46 new cases were admitted during the year, making a total of 117. Of these 87 cases involving the amount of Rs. 16,636-8-5 were disposed of, leaving 30 cases pending decision. 3 civil appeals were filed during the year, 4 remained over at the end of the year, making a total of 7. Of these one appeal was disposed of and 3 remanded to the Lower Court during the year, leaving three pending decision.

45 applications for the execution of decrees of the Civil Courts were in arrears last year. 78 new ones were filed, making a total of 123. Of these 119 were disposed of, leaving 4 in arrears.

Establishment.

Thánadár Jagjivan Uttamchand was transferred to Mengni as Manager last November and Mr. Máneklál Ládhábhái was appointed in his place. Both these officials have performed their duties to my complete satisfaction. And so has Mr. Jagjivan Trikamji, the Vahivatdár at Khákhrechi.

The Treasury Kárkun Jivrám Mávji and Kárkun Purshotamrái Ranchhoddás worked satisfactorily and were given an increment of Rs. 5 per mensem in their pay.

The Fauzdár, Jamádár Mahmad Bákar has done excellent work and justified the opinion I have expressed about him on previous occasions. He has acquired great influence over the Miánás which he has used for good, and rendered me valuable assistance.

In my own Office Mr Nánálál Himatrám was transferred as Sharishtadár in the Hálár Pránt on the 23rd May 1896 and was succeeded by Mr. Gordhan Mávji. They both worked with loyalty, zeal and ability and showed themselves to be capable men. Mr. Gordhan Mávji was transferred to the Jhálávád Pránt on the 18th November 1895 and was succeeded by Mr. Ishwár Dayárám, with whose work I am very well satisfied.

My English Clerk Mr. Thákorlál Uttamrám and Kárkun Bhimji Nánji have also deserved mention for satisfactory work done.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

G. B. O'DONNELL, Major,

Assistant Political Agent, in charge Mália.

~~APPENDIX V.~~

No. 208 OF 1897.

From Captain H. G. CARNEGY,
Assistant Political Agent,
In charge Mália.

To Colonel J. M. HUNTER,
Political Agent, Káthiáwár.

Camp Bálachadi, 26th May 1897.

SIR—I have the honour to forward the Annual Administration Report of the Mália State for the year ending 31st March 1897.

PERSONNEL.

2. Major G. B. O'Donnell was in charge of the Mália State from 1st April 1896 to 10th May 1896. I relieved him on 11th May 1896 and remained in charge till the close of the year, in addition to my duties as Assistant Political Agent, Hálár Pránt.

3. Mr. Máneklál Ládha held charge of the Mália Thándár's office throughout the year.

4. Mr. Jagjivan Trikamji held charge of the Khákhrechi Vahivatdár's office for the whole of the official year.

CLIMATE.

5. Mália is situated on the borders of the Runn of Cutch. The climate is healthy. The water in most of the wells is brackish and consequently the inhabitants of the Táluka have to rely for the most part, on tanks for their drinking water. If the tanks become dry, wells are dug in the bed of the tank. It is my intention to deepen these tanks so that there may be no chance of failure of the water supply.

General Summary.

6. The year has passed peacefully in Mália. The Miánás appear to be gradually learning that their true interest lies in keeping the law instead of breaking it. As long as they are employed, they give no trouble, and I have been very fortunate this year in obtaining employment for numbers of them on the Jámnagar Railway and elsewhere, and I have received reports from their employers that they work well. There is unfortunately a tendency to attribute all petty thefts, and crimes of any description, to the Miánás, when they are known to be in any neighbourhood where a crime has been committed, but I am glad to say that in many cases in which Miánás were supposed to have been the culprits, it has been found on inquiry that the real culprits were Kolis or others, who no doubt traded on the bad name which the Miánás have gained for themselves.

7. I have never lost an opportunity of impressing upon the Mukhis of the Miánás at Mália the necessity of sending their sons to school. Only a few of them avail themselves of the school, but on the occasion of my last visit to Mália, they promised me they would send more boys. I am quite willing to assist them from the State by giving them a free education, for it is only through the education of the younger generation of Miánás that the lawlessness for which they are so noted can be successfully stamped out. This year has been free from all lawlessness on the part of the Miánás., and they have not committed more crime than any other ignorant community. I am inclined to agree with the remarks made by Major O'Donnell in

last year's report that " Though the Miánás are remarkably quiet at the present moment the character of the people has not undergone such a radical change because of 3½ years careful supervision that they can be trusted to remain lawabiding." Once the firm hold over them has been relaxed there is no knowing that they would not again revert to lawless pursuits. I may mention that it is only through most stringent measures that they are now so quiet, and I would like to record here my admiration for the excellent arrangements made by my predecessor Major O'Donnell. There is a system by which no Miána is allowed out of Mália without a pass and without furnishing security for good behaviour. Should he be found without a pass he is punished under Section 188 I. P. C. and the security bond is enforced ; and this is no mere outward form. It has been frequently acted upon, and the result is that the Miánás have got to understand that they are firmly kept in check. Those Miánás whom I have sent for work outside Mália territories have been organized into working gangs of 30 or 40 men each, and a Mukhi has been placed at the head of each gang, who is responsible for the good conduct of his gang.

8. Major O'Donnell who knew these miánás well recorded his opinion that they are capable of remaining quiet for years together in order to attain their object. He lived among them for 3 continuous years and had therefore more opportunity of studying their character than I have had during the 4 or 5 visits I paid to Mália during the year ; but they struck me as being all that Major O'Donnell has described them to be, and I thoroughly agree with him, that for some time to come these Miánás must be controlled by a European Officer.

9. A gang of 5 Miánás were arrested for committing a dacoity near Songad, at the beginning of the year under report, but they were all acquitted and discharged by the Judicial Assistant. This is the only serious offence in which the Miánás of Mália have been suspected during the year. There was another robbery in the village of Thorála in which one Fakir Remánsháh of Kájarda under Mália was said to be the leading spirit. He however is not a Miána, and those associated with him in the crime were Kolis and Miánás of Cutch. He has not yet been arrested.

BÁHARWATIAS.

10. There were no Miánás in outlawry during the year.

MIÁNÁS OUTSIDE MÁLIA.

11. All the Miánás who had been sent by Major O'Donnell to Sind last year were sent back to Mália this year, and I found it necessary to try and obtain employment for them and other Miánás, for the financial condition of Mália does not enable me to give them continual employment in Mália. The Executive Engineer, Jámnagar Railway, kindly gave employment to about 400 Miánás for about 8 months. When this work was completed I was able to obtain employment for about 200 men in the Rájkot State, 100 in Kotda-Sángáni, where a new road from Ardoi to Ribda is under construction and 100 in Wánkáner. It is most fortunate that I have been able to obtain employment for them. I have generally received very good reports of the work done by the Miánás, but I have occasionally also received complaints that they are a terror to the neigbbourhood and so forth. The very name of Miána seems to inspire the ordinary villager with fear, and it is not unusual for innocent Miánás to be accused of every petty crime in any village near which he is working, for the villagers immediately jump to the conclusion that the renowned lawbreakers must have committed the crime. In many cases I am glad to say that the Miánás have been completely exculpated.

12. The year under report has been one of progress. Public works have been carried out for the first time since the Agency Management owing to the fact that there was a balance at our disposal. There was also a very much larger amount paid towards the liquidation of debt, then last year, and it is hoped that the whole private debt will be cleared off in 5 years. There is a large debt due to Cutch on village of Katária and a satisfactory agreement has been arrived at for its liquidation, which has met with the approval of Government.

13. The working of the Police has been most satisfactory as will be seen hereafter under the heading "Law and Police". The Civil Courts have worked off all the arrears except 11 cases, and no Civil appeals remained on the file at the close of the year, all of them having been disposed of during the year under report.

14. On the whole I think the year has been one of progress and prosperity, which I trust will henceforth increase more and more.

Revenue and Finance.

15. A statement of receipts and charges is attached from which all the information under this head can be seen at a glance.

Land Administration.

16. The lands under the two new villages of Fatehpur and Ráisangpur which were founded by Major O'Donnell, are yielding very good crops, especially in the former village. More land has been taken under cultivation, and both villages appear to have a prosperous future before them. Every encouragement is given to the cultivators in all the villages by awarding prizes for the best produce, and in assisting them in digging wells.

The Rajkutumb.

17. Bái Shri Jámba the grand-mother of Thákor Shri Modji died in February last at Khákhrechi. Thákor Shri Modji was given permission by you to visit Mália for a fortnight in order to perform the funeral ceremonies of his grand-mother, for which Rs. 1,500 were sanctioned. This is the first time the Thákor has visited the Mália Táluka since it was taken under management. He was given permission by Government to visit Mália in 1892 when his mother died but he did not avail himself of the permission granted. On this occasion he first went to Khákhrechi where Bái Shri Jámba had died, and after performing the funeral ceremonies, he proceeded to Mália where he remained for one day only. The Thánadár of Mália was instructed to escort him during the whole fortnight he was in Mália territory. On his way back to Ahmedábád he remained for one day at Muli where he gave a feast in the Swámi Náráyen Temple, in accordance with the dying wish of his grand-mother Bái Shri Jámba.

18. The Jiwái of the nephews of the Thákor, Kunvárs Shri Nathubha and Bhimsinghji, and their mother, have been increased during the year by Rs. 15 per month as their former Jiwái was very small, and hardly sufficient for their maintenance. The Jiwái of Bái Shri Chandába widow of the late Kumár Shri Abhesinghji second son of the Thákor has also been increased by Rs. 10 per month.

19. Keshar Kunvarba, the daughter of the Thákor, and widow of the late Chief of Chhota Udepur paid a visit to Mália during the year. This was the first time the lady had returned to her paternal home since her marriage some 12 or 13 years ago, and a sum of Rs. 450 in all was sanctioned for the expenses connected with her visit to her father at Ahmedábád and her visit to Mália.

20. The third son of Kumár Shri Ráisinhji, the heir-apparent, who was born on 18th March 1896, died on 5th September 1896.

21. Kunvar Shri Ráisinhji in order to get an insight into revenue administration, has been appointed, with your sanction, to work with the Thánadár in the revenue Department. He is also studying law.

22. Kumár Shri Gumánsinhji the eldest son of Kumár Shri Ráisinhji, is getting on very well at the Rájkumár College where he was successful in winning the gold medal for good conduct. Kumár Shri Bhimsinhji, nephew of the Thákor, is also progressing well at the Tálukdári-Girásia School at Wadhwán.

Weather and Crops.

23. The fall of rain during the year was 29·6 inches against 24·6 inches last year. The out-turn of the Agtar crops was fair and the Páshtar crops good. The heavy rain at the commencement of the monsoon spoiled the Agtar crops but a second sowing improved their condition. The Pástar crops were also beginning to suffer, but the fortunate heavy rain in November changed the aspect of affairs and the cotton and wheat crops have turned out well. We were again troubled by yellow grubs but not to any great extent. The outturn of cotton this year has been 501 Bhárs against 474 Bhárs last year. Cotton is the chief source of revenue of the Mália State. We were not able to obtain such a good price for our cotton this year as last.

24. The experiment in sugar cane planting did not turn out a success, but the ground having been well manured for sugar-cane, produced a fine yield of wheat, 21 Bighás producing 21 Kalsis of wheat.

25. There was no epidemic desease among the cattle during the year.

Education.

26. The number of the schools in the Mália Táluka remains the same viz. 8 including two English classes, one at Mália and one at Khákhrechi. The daily attendence in all the schools is 319 against 310 last year. It is very difficult to persuade the Miánás to send their sons to school but there is a small increase in the number of their boys attending the school this year. I have allowed the sons of Miánás a free education. But they have not yet begun to learn the benefits of education. The Kunbi children attending the schools have also increased, The girls school I am sorry to say is not in a very flourishing condition only 12 girls attending. The English classes are popular. The school buildings at Mália and Khákhrechi, were very old and too small to accommodate the number of boys. The school at Khákhrechi was nothing but a small native house. I am glad to say that two new and handsome schools have been built one at Mália and one at Khákhrechi, and they have recently been opened.

Trade.

27. The traffic of Mália is flourishing, and the merchants find the daily Goods Tram very convenient. The Telegraph Line adds greatly to their convenience.

Public Works.

28. The financial condition of the Mália Táluka before the commencement of the year under report had rendered it impossible to carry on works of public utility. Major O'Donnell, however had provided a sum of Rs. 6,000 in the Budget for the construction of 2 new schools, one at Mália and the other at Khákhrechi. These two schools have now been built during the year under report and have supplied a very long felt want both at Mália and Khákhrechi.

29. In addition to the above, a 'Chora' has been built for the newly founded village of Fatehpur, and an earthen bund has also been erected right round the village. This village being close to the river, was subjected to floods, whenever there was any unusual rainfall, and it was found necessary to protect the village with the bund. These two works were constructed at a cost of Rs. 1,779-1-0.

30. The cultivators were assisted in digging wells, at a cost of Rs. 460-3-7.

31. As cholera broke out at the beginning of the year at Khákhrechi, and as the drinking water supply came from the tank only, I constructed a new well on the banks of the tank, which has been built at a cost of Rs. 300 to the State, and Rs. 300 by subscriptions. The water from the tank was sent to the Chemical Analyser and he pronounced it unfit to drink, so the well was all the more necessary.

32. The usual sums were spent in repairs to existing buildings, and roads.

Liquidation of Debt.

33. Rs. 20,182-6-0 were paid towards the liquidation of the debt out of last year's Budget and Rs. 15,000 from the amount sanctioned in the current year's budget has also been paid before the close of the year under report, making a total of Rs. 35,182-6-0, which is most satisfactory considering the fact that we have also been able to carry out some public works during the year. We have also been prepared to pay a sum of Rs. 10,000 to Cutch on account of the debt due by Mália to that State, but the Cutch State has not yet returned the agreement duly signed which was sanctioned by Government and so the amount still remained to be paid at the close of the year.

Salt.

34. The revenue derived from this source is estimated at Rs. 1,200 annually.

Dispensary.

35. The building in which the Dispensary is now located is very small, and unsuitable. It is intended to use the old school at Mália for the Dispensary, now that the students have been transferred to the new school, but before doing so it will be necessary to make some alterations to the building. The Dispensary is very popular and much appreciated by the people of Mália and the Hospital Assistant in charge Mr. Samuel Daniel seems to have won their confidence. 4,085 patients were treated at the Dispensary during the year. There is also a native practitioner who is employed chiefly on account of the Rájkutumb ; he also visits Khákhrechi. He treated 2,516 patients during the year.

Vaccination.

36. The Head-Quarters of the vaccinator are at Khákhrechi. 459 children were vaccinated during the year under report against 428 in the preceding year.

Jail.

37. There were 14 prisoners in the jail at the commencement of the year, and 38 new prisoners were admitted during the year making a total of 52. Of these only 7 remained in jail at the close of the year.

38. A sum has been sanctioned by you for repairing and altering the Jail roof etc. The roof is not strong being of ordinary tiles, and it would not be difficult for any prisoner to escape. The work is being put in hand and will I hope be finished before the close of the Budget year.

Municipality.

39. The sanitary arrangements are under the supervision of the Hospital Assistant, and the rest of the Municipal arrangments are managed by the Thánadár. The annual cost of this Department is about Rs. 1,100 which includes conservancy charges, watering roads and lighting charges. Municipal arrangements are also made at Khákhrechi.

Law and Police.

40. There are three Courts in the Mália State viz.—

(1) The Court of the Assistant Political Agent in charge Mália excercising the powers of an Assistant Sessions Judge, and District Magistrate in criminal matters. In Civil suits this Court has power to hear cases up to Rs. 10,000.

(2) The Court of the Mália Thándár with powers of a 2nd Class Magistrate, and in Civil suits upto Rs. 5,000.

(3) The Court of the Khákhrechi Vahivatdár with powers of a 3rd Class Magistrate and in Civil suits upto the value of Rs. 250.

41. The 1st Kárkun of the Mália Thána has also been invested with the powers of a 3rd Class Magistrate, and to try cases falling under section 188 of the Indian Penal Code.

42. Fouzdár Mahomed Bákar was in charge of the Police force throughout the year except for 3 months when he was absent on privilege leave during which time his duties devolved upon Jamádár Bahádursing. Fouzdár Mahomed Bákar has worked well during the year and still retains his influence over the Miánás.

43. Including Foot and Mounted Police of all ranks there are 57 regular trained Police. In addition to these there are 80 village Policemen.

44. During the year there were 20 cases reported to the Police in which 23 persons were involved, against 24 cases last year in which 37 persons were concerned. Out of these 23 persons, 21 were convicted and 2 discharged. The percentage of accused persons to convictions is therefore 91·30 against 86·49 last year.

45. Property of the value of Rs. 404-5-6 was reported to have been stolen during the year against Rs. 796-9-7 last year. Out of this Rs. 400-9-6 were recovered as against Rs, 776-9-7 last year. The percentage of property recovered to property stolen is therefore 99·07 which is satisfactory.

46. There were 84 cases in all reported to the criminal Courts during the year, against 117 last year. This shews a marked decrease in crime. 106 persons were tried out of whom 81 were convicted and 25 acquitted. The following are the offences committed during the year :—

3	Voluntarily causing grievous hurt.
14	Do. causing hurt.
20	Theft.
69	Other minor offences.
106	

Fines to the extent of Rs. 238-8-0 were imposed during the year, of which Rs, 219-8-0 have been recovered leaving Rs. 19 still to be realized. There were no criminal appeals during the year under report.

47. There is a jail at Mália and a lock-up at Khákhrechi. The maintenance of the prisoners in jail, and of those convicts who have been transferred to the Ahmedábád Jail amounted to Rs. 1,392-15-5 during the year. The average daily number of prisoners was 10·98 as against 5 last year.

Civil.

48. There were 30 cases remaining on the files at the close of last year, and 27 new cases were admitted during the year making a total of 57. Of these 46 cases of the total value of Rs. 11,885-13-6 were disposed of during the year under report leaving 11 cases on the file at the close of the year.

49. There were 3 civil appeals pending disposal at the end of last year, and 6 were filed during the year, making a total of 9. All of which have been disposed of. It will thus be seen that there are very few arrears in the Mália Courts.

50. There were 4 applications for execution of decrees of the Civil Courts in arrears at the close of last year, and 46 were filed during the year making a total of 50, out of which 32 were disposed of leaving 18 in arrears.

ESTABLISHMENT.

51. Mr. Máneklál Ládhábhái the Thánadár of Mália, has performed his duties with energy and zeal, and has worked throughout the year to my entire satisfaction. He possesses great tact in dealing with the Miánás.

52. Mr. Jagjivan Trikamji the Khákhrechi Vahivatdár has also worked very well, and so has the Mália Vahivati Kárkun Mr. Bhavániprasád Nánábhái.

53. The Fouzdár still retains his influence over the Miánás and is the right man in the right place.

54. Mr. Purshotamrái Ranchhoddás, Aval Kárkun and 3rd Class Magistrate, and Mr. Jivrám Mávji Treasury Kárkun performed their work to my satisfaction.

MY OWN OFFICE ESTABLISHMENT.

55. The Sarishtadár Mr. Ishwar Dayárám has worked steadily and conscientiously throughout the year.

56. The English Clerk Mr. Thákorlál Uttamrám is a very useful and able young man. and has performed his work to my satisfartion.

57. Kárkun Bhimji Nánji has worked satisfactorily.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

H. G. CARNEGY, Captain,
Assistant Political Agent,
In charge Mália.

~~APPENDIX V.~~

Subject.
Annual Administration Report of the Mália State for the year 1897-98.

No 257 OF 1898.

From Captain H. G. CARNEGY,
Assistant Political Agent,
In charge Mália.

To Colonel J. M. HUNTER,
Political Agent, Káthiáwár.

Rájkot, 26th May 1898.

SIR,—I have the honour to forward the Annual Administration Report of the Mália State for the year ending 31st March 1898.

PERSONNEL.

2. I was in charge of the State throughout the year in addition to my duties as Assistant Political Agent, Hálár Pránt.

3. Mr. Máneklál Ládhábhái held charge of the Mália Thánadár's office throughout the year except for a month or so when he was deputed by you to Jhinjhuwáda. During this temporary absence Mr. Jagjivan Trikamji, Khákhrechi Vahivatdár, acted as Thánadár.

CLIMATE.

4. Owing to its situation on the borders of the Runn of Cutch, Mália enjoys a healthy climate, though it is very hot in the hot weather months. The proximity of the Runn, however, has its effect on the wells. Nearly all of which are brackish, and the inhabitants are obliged to depend chiefly on tank water for drinking purposes. When the tanks are dry wells are dug in the bed of the tank. I have, during the past year, deepened the tank at Mália and at Lákhiásar.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

5. I am glad to report another peaceful year in Mália, and I am all the more satisfied because the year has been one of high prices, and at such times criminal tribes such as Miánás of Mália are likely to become troublesome. But I have again to thank other States for the assistance they have rendered me in giving employment to the Miánás, for whom I have been able to obtain work on the Dhrángadhra Railway and in Vánkáner, Rájkot and Kotdá-Sángáni.

6. Owing to the high prices prevailing I also thought it necessary to find work for those who had not been fortunate enough to get outside work, and I accordingly set them to work at deepening tanks and constructing a short road. It is a misfortune that I, as manager, am unable to devote much money to public works, on account of the debts which have to be paid off, and consequently I still have to depend in a large measure on the assistance from outside States in employing Miánás.

7. I regret to say that the Miánás do not take kindly to education. I have over and over again assembled them together and endeavoured to persuade them to send their children to school but my endeavours have so far only been rewarded by a small increase of some 14 or 15 boys. Out of a population of some 3,000 Miánás there are only about 30 in school. I have further endeavoured to encourage education by giving two free scholarships to two Miána boys to study English at the Gondal school, and I have now an application of another young Miána who wishes to study English. Education for Miánás in Mália is free. Although I am not satisfied with the educational progress among the Miánás, there has still been some slight indication that they are beginning to realize that there are some benefits in educating their children.

8. I am still of the same opinion which I expressed in my last year's report that for some time to come the Miánás must be controlled by a European Officer. Although they are now quiet I think that they would quite misunderstand any relaxation of the stringent measures which now keep them in check. They have so long prided themselves that every one was frightened of them, that they would be sure to misconstrue any leniency shewn to them.

8*a*. Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee was celebrated on the 21st and 22nd June 1898 in the Mália Táluka. Both days were observed as public holidays and there were great rejoicings in the whole Táluka during the two days.

Báhárwatiás.

9. I am again able to report that no Miánás have been in outlawry during the year.

Revenue and Finance.

10. A statement of receipts and charges is attached hereto from which all the information under this head can be seen at a glance.

Land Administration.

11. The land in all the villages under Mália yielded good crops this year. The cotton crop was especially good, but unfortunately owing to the low rates prevailing the State did not benefit very much pecuniarily.

12. The two new villages of Ráisinghpur and Fatehpur are flourishing and the land seems very fertile. Encouragement is given to the cultivators by rewarding those who produce the best crops.

13. There are some lands under Khákhrechi situated some 6 or 7 miles from the village which was formerly left almost uncultivated. My predecessor accordingly erected some huts near the Morvi boundary where the cultivators could keep their implements and live during the monsoon. The result has been most satisfactory for the yield of cotton in Khákhrechi has steadily increased every year since 1895.

Rájkutumb.

14. Bái Shri Nániba (Sodhivahu) the wife of the brother of Thákor Modji died during the year.

15. A daughter was born to Kumár Shri Ráisinghji the heir apparent on 23rd June 1897.

16. A daughter was born to Kumár Shri Nathubha nephew of the Thákor Modji in January last.

17. Kumár Shri Gumánsinghji, son of Kumár Shri Ráisinghji, is studying at the Rájkumár College, and I have received very good reports from the Principal as to his progress.

18. Kumár shri Bhimsinghji, nephew of the Thákor, is also progressing well at the Tálukdári Girássia College at Wadhwán.

Weather and Crops.

19. The fall of rain during the year was 18 inches 83 cents against 29 inches 6 cents last year. The rain, however, fell at the right time and all the crops yielded good produce. The Bájri was slightly spoilt by heavy rain just as it was almost ripe. The cotton yield was excellent, the out-turn being 705 bhárs against 501 bhárs last year, but the cotton market is unfortunately very low owing to the prevalence of plague in India and the State has therefore not benefitted pecuniarily by this bumper yield of cotton.

20. The rainfall of the year although beneficial to the crops was not sufficient to fill the tanks, which have nearly all remained dry. The people in consequence resort to wells dug in the bed of the tanks.

21. There was fortunately no epidemic disease among the cattle during the year.

22. Locusts made their appearance in large numbers but fortunately for the state they did not alight in Mália limits and no damage was done to the crops.

Education.

23. One new girls' school has been opened this year in Khákhrechi making a total of 9 schools in the State, including 2 English classes, one at Mália and one at Khákhrechi. The daily attendance of boys in all the schools is 400 against 319 last year, which shows a substantial increase. The number of Miána boys has slightly increased. Two new school buildings have been opened during the year one at Mália and one at Khákhrechi. I am also glad to report that the Bháyáts of Wádharwa have with commendable public spirit built a new school-house in Wádharwa this year.

Trade.

24. The facilities afforded by the Tramway and the Telegraph to the merchants of Mália have tended to increase the traffic in Mália which is now in a flourishing condition.

Public Works.

25. A sum of Rs. 6,000 was sanctioned for the construction of a Hospital in Mália to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen Empress. This work is now nearly completed, and will be a great addition to Mália, where up to the present time there has only been a small dispensary located in a small and dingy house in the town.

26. The road from the Darbár Gadh to the western Jhámpa of the town has been broadened during the year, and the roadway itself has been metalled.

27. The inhabitants of Mália, finding a great necessity for a flight of steps down to the tank at Mália in order to facililate the labours of the women when drawing water, subscribed a sum of Rs. 2,000 and built a handsome Ghát, which they requested might bear the name of the O'Donnell Ghát in token of their esteem for Major O'Donnell.

28. The high prices prevailing in Káthiáwár caused some distress among the Mián ás and I accordingly gave them work on a road from the Tramway to the Bungalow, and in deepening tanks.

29. The Jail of Mália has been re-roofed and in parts rebuilt during the year, in consultation with the Agency Engineer.

30. The ordinary repairs to existing buildings were carried out as usual.

Liquidation of Debt.

31. Rs, 15,000 was paid towards the liquidation of the debts before the commencement of the year under report but from the sum sanctioned in the budget for the year ending 31st October 1897 a further sum of Rs. 879-8-3 was paid during the year under report.

32. A sum of Rs. 10,000 was paid at the beginning of the year under report to the Cutch State towards the liquidation of the debt due by Mália to that State and later on in the year another sum of Rs. 6,200 was paid to the Cutch State so that Rs. 16,200 in all have been paid towards the liquidation of the Cutch debt.

33. The balance of debt due to private individuals is now Rs. 64,031-11-2½.

34. The balance of debt due to Cutch is Rs. 71,300.

Miána Japti and settlement.

35. A settlement of the Miánás' debt was made by the Settlement Officer appointed by the Agency for Rs. 1,11,530-11-2 out of which Rs, 5,828-5-9 were paid which when added to the preceding payments makes a total of Rs. 50,383-6-8 so there still remains Rs. 61,147-4-6 to be paid.

Salt.

36. The salt source of Mália is in the Sheikh Mora Runn, on the borders of the Runn of Cutch. This has been let out to an Izárdár at the rate of Rs. 1,000 per year.

Dispensary.

37. In my last report I stated that it was intended to use the old school buildings as a dispensary. But as the year under report was the Diamond Jubilee year of the reign of Her Majesty the Queen-Empress, I requested the Political Agent for sanction to build a new building as a memorial of that auspicious event. Accordingly a new Hospital is being built which is to be called "The Diamond Jubilee Hospital." There is a male and female ward in the new Hospital which will supply a long felt want in Mália.

38. 4,310 patients were treated at the Dispensary during the year against 4,085 last year.

39. There is also a native practitioner who is employed chiefly for the use of the Ráj-Kutumb, but he also treats private individuals. 1,905 patients were treated by this native practitioner during the year against 2,516 last year.

Camp of Observation at Lákhiásar.

40. I established a camp of detention at Lákhiásar which is a small police outpost on the borders of the Runn of Cutch in May 1897. There is a Dharamsála there which belongs to the State, and I converted this into a camp of detention. The camp was withdrawn on 3rd January 1898, as there was no plague in Cutch but it was reopened on 18th February 1898. I have now employed a qualified Hospital Assistant there as there were several complaints against the Compounder who was originally placed in charge. 7,208 passengers have passed through the camp since its commencement, but no case of plague has been detected. This camp protects one of the road routes from Cutch across the Runn and so far there have been no passengers from Mándvi which is the plague-stricken area in Cutch. The camp is kept up chiefly as a precautionary measure for if one route were left open it is probable people from the infected area would pass into Káthiáwár by that route.

Vaccination.

41. The head-quarters of the vaccinator have been changed from Khákhrechi to Halvad under Dhrángadhra, and he pays visits to the Mália State villages. 520 children were vaccinated in the year under report against 459 in the preceding year.

Visit of His Highness the Thákor Sáheb of Morvi, G. C. I. E.

42. There has been a longstanding dispute between Morvi and Mália regarding a Bundh which the Morvi State erected on the boundary between Venásar (Morvi) and Kumbhária (Mália). I invited His Highness to my camp at Khákhrechi with his State Engineer Mr. T. White and I am glad to be able to report that an amicable settlement has been arrived at which I hope will put an end to all disputes in future.

Jail.

43. There were 7 prisoners in the jail at the commencement of the year and 78 new prisoners were admitted during the year making a total of 85. Of these only 16 remained in jail at the close of the year.

44. It is my intention to transfer some of these prisoners to the Ahmedábád or Rájkot Jail, as some of them are long term prisoners, and they can be taught some industry. Moreover the Miánás do not think so much of being imprisoned in the Mália Jail, and they will feel the punishment more if sent to Ahmedábád or Rájkot.

Municipality.

45. The sanitary supervision of Mália is under the charge of the Hospital Assistant, and the rest of the Municipal arrangements are managed by the Thánadár. The annual cost of this Department is about Rs. 1,300 which includes conservancy charges, watering roads and lighting charges. I increased the number of sweepers by 2 during the year, as there were only 6 which was not sufficient.

46. Municipal arrangements are also made at Khákhrechi.

Law and Police.

47. There are three Courts in the Mália State. viz.:—

(1) The Court of the Assistant Political Agent in charge Mália exercising the powers of an Assistant Sessions Judge, and District Magistrate in criminal matters. In civil suits this Court has power to hear cases up to Rs. 10,000.

(2) The Court of the Mália Thánadár, with powers of a 2nd Class Magistrate and in civil suits up to Rs. 5,000.

(3) The Court of the Khákhrechi Vahivatdár with powers of a 3rd Class Magistrate and in civil suits up to the value of Rs. 250.

48. The first Kárkun of the Mália Thána has also been invested with the powers of a 3rd Class Magistrate, and to try cases falling under section 188 of the Indian Penal Code.

49. Fouzdár Mahmed Bákar was in charge of the Police up to 15th September 1897, on which date he resigned. I regret to say that I discovered that he was not worthy of my confidence, and that he was actually inciting some members of the Police force to commit offences during his absence on leave. I gave him the option of resigning instead of standing his trial, as he is an old officer who had done good service during the time the outlaws were out. He elected to resign. Jamádár Báhádursingh was appointed to succeed him, and he has since been in charge of the Police, and has worked well.

50. There are 57 drilled Police including all ranks. Besides the above there are 81 village Policemen.

51. During the year there were 35 cases reported to the Police in which 60 persons were involved against 20 cases last year in which 23 persons were concerned. Out of these 48 persons were convicted and 11 discharged and one committed to the Sessions Court. The percentage of accused persons to convictions is therefore 80 against 91·30 last year.

52. Property to the value of Rs. 371-14-0 was reported to have been stolen during the year against Rs. 404-5-6 last year. Out of this Rs. 354-10-0. were recovered as against Rs. 400-9-6 last year. The percentage of property recovered to property stolen is therefore 92·68 which is satisfactory.

53. There were 110 cases in all reported to the criminal courts during the year against 84 last year. 178 persons were tried, out of whom 146 were convicted and 32 acquitted, one was committed to the Sessions Court. The following are the offences committed during the

year :—

1.	Voluntarily causing grievous hurt.
21.	Voluntarily causing hurt..
41.	Theft.
68.	Other minor offences.
1.	Murder.
1.	Attempt to murder.
133.	

54. Fines to the extent of Rs. 260 were imposed during the year of which Rs. 237-8-0 have been recovered, leaving Rs. 22-8-0 still to be realized.

55. There is a jail at Mália and a lock-up at Khákhrechi. The maintenance of prisoners in jail and of those convicts who have been transferred to the Ahmedábád jail amounted to Rs. 1,137-10-3. The average daily number of prisoners was 13·35 as against 10·98 last year.

Civil.

56. There were 11 cases remaining in the files at the close of last year and 26 new cases were admitted during the year, making a total of 37. Of these 29 cases of the total value of Rs. 1,409-14-3 were disposed of during the year under report, leaving 8 cases on the file at the close of the year.

57. There were no appeals pending disposal at the end of last year. 5 were filed during the year. 4 have been disposed of, leaving 1 on the file at the close of the year. It will thus be seen that there are very few arrears in Mália Courts.

58. There were 18 applications for execution of decrees of the Civil Courts in arrears at the close of last year and 63 were filed during the year, making a total of 81, out of which 64 were disposed of, leaving 17 in arrears.

59. There were some Political Cases (Girás) in arrears, one of which viz: the Wáda claims of Miánás has been disposed of by amicable settlement and three more were disposed of during the year. It is difficult to proceed with these Political Cases, for the Miánás will not file plaints. They are all cases affecting the status of Miánás, or claims to land which is disputed by the Darbár. The Miánás go out for labour into other States, and it is frequently difficult to get summonses served on them in time for the hearing, which consequently has to be postponed. There are now 7 Political Cases pending and I hope to decide them shortly.

Establishment.

60. Mr. Máneklál Ládhábhái continues to work well. He is a most useful man and thoroughly acquainted with the manners and customs of the Miánás.

61. Mr. Jagjivan Trikamji, Khákhrechi Vahivatdár, and Mr. Bhavániprasád Nánábhái the Mália Vahivati Kárkun, have also done their work to my satisfaction.

62. Fouzdár Bahádursingh has worked well during the time he has been in charge of the Police.

63. All the other officers of the State have done good and steady work.

My own Office Establishment.

64. My Sarishtadár, Mr. Ishwar Dayárám, is a conscientious and steady worker and Mr. Thákorlál Uttamrám, the English Clerk, and Kárkun Bhimji Nánji have both worked well.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

H. G. CARNEGY, Captain,
Assistant Political Agent,
In charge Mália.

APPENDIX IV.

No. 500 OF 1900.

From Captain F. W. WODEHOUSE,
Assistant Political Agent,
In charge Mália.

To Colonel J. M. HUNTER, C. S. I.,
Political Agent, Káthiáwár.

Gondal, 10th May 1900.

SIR,—I have the honour to forward the Annual Administration Report of the Mália State for the year ending 31st March 1900.

PERSONNEL.

2. Captain H.G. Carnegy was in charge of the State in addition to his duties as Assistant Political Agent, from 1st April to 3rd July since then I have been in charge of the State.

3. Ázam Máneklál Ládhábhái held charge of the office of Thánadár until the 3rd July, when he was transferred on promotion to Muli. He was succeeded by Ázam Dosábhái Nasarwánji who was relieved by Ázam Kálidás Ravidat on the 22nd January 1900.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

4. The Táluka possesses 15 villages, the area being 102·8 square miles with a population of 13,589 of whom 3,926 belong to the criminal tribe of Miánás.

5. The rain-fall during the year was only 1 inch 20 cents and as the Táluka is on the Runn of Cutch, the famine has been very severe. As early as the end of July, the Miánás who are in the best years bad cultivators and require work demanded assistance, I went down to Mália and found that work was necessary. The digging out of village tanks was started as test works and the people soon crowded on to the works. The Agency Engineer and myself visited the Táluka in the month of July to see whether any profitable works could be started; but owing to the formation of the ground it was found impossible to get any large remunerative work.

6. In September as it was found that the local officials were quite unable to deal with the Miánás, I with your permission, appointed a Special Famine Officer; but this also did not meet with much success.

7. In November, Mr. Morison, the Special Famine Officer, Káthiáwár, the Agency Engineer and myself visited the Táluka together, and rode over the whole Táluka to see again whether any large work was practicable; as nothing suitable could be found, it was decided to draft 2,000 Miánás on to the Morvi Railway on the conversion work between Dolia and Rájkot, and in March last the number was reduced to 1,120.

8. The condition of the cultivators was also extremely bad, a large number of wells were sunk; but most of these only gave salt water. Advances were made for growing Chhásatia and a large amount was grown on the banks of the Machhu River. Owing however to the scanty rain-fall, the water in the river turned salt in the month of November instead of in February as usual. Consequently much of the Chhásatia withered and that which did ripen had very little seed in the ear, this has been noticed in other Tálukás.

9. Advances were also made for wheat seeds, grass for the cattle, and maintenance. At first the wheat appeared good; but the wells continued to become more brackish and the crop was almost a failure, as it was in the Runn villages of the neighbouring State of Morvi.

10. The mortality among cattle was very great and was increased by the Miánás, who when they saw their bullocks becoming thin killed them as food.

11. The year has been most unfortunate for this small Táluka which has more than ½ its land alienated and a large population of a class for whom it is bound to find work; so as to prevent them becoming a standing menace to the peace of the Province.

12. The most important famine works were the making of a bund in the river Machhu and a bund for a tank at Khákhrechi.

13. The Thákor Modji has been residing in Rájkot during the year and his conduct has been quite satisfactory.

14. Kumár Shri Gumánsinhji, son of Kumár Shri Ráisinhji is studying at the Rájkumár College and the Principal reports favourably about him.

15. Kumár Shri Bhimsinhji, the nephew of the Thákore having married has left the Wadhwán Girásia School and a sum of Rs. 30 per mensem is allowed for his Jiwái.

16. The Jiwái of Kumár Shri Nathubha, nephew of the Thákore has been increased from Rs. 35 to Rs. 55 for the famine.

17. The results of the working of the Police are satisfactory.

18. Civil work has become rather in arrears owing to the famine.

BÁHIRVATIÁS.

19. No Miánás have been in outlawry during the year.

At the commencement of the famine, it was feared that the Miánás would give a good deal of trouble, until the middle of January their conduct, except that they terrourized the local officials at Mália and the contractors on the Railway was singularly good, but after they were split up on the Railway in several gangs over a large extent of country, which made police supervision difficult, some left without leave and in conjunction with Koli, Girásiás, Sindhis and others looted certain Ahmedábád Villages. It was not known until March that loots were being committed by Miánás outside the Province but on information being received it was not difficult to arrest the absentees, whose names were known on their return to the work and to Mália. A large amount of stolen property was recovered and many arrests were made.

REVENUE AND FINANCE.

20. A statement under the head is attached.

LAND ADMINISTRATION.

21. With the exception of irrigated crops, there were no crops owing to the deficiency of the rain-fall.

WEATHER AND CROPS.

22. The rain-fall and crops has already been referred to. There was a great want of drinking water all over the Táluka and except the Khákhrechi Tank all the tanks were empty during the year.

Education.

23. The number of Schools remain the same as last year. Only 20 Miána boys attended as against 33 last year, as most of them went on work.

Trade.

24. This year trade was unsatisfactory.

Public works.

25. In the year under report Rs. 6,302-7-7 have been spent upon public works as under :—

City gate	Rs.	1,160	0	0
Additions and alterations in the houses of Kumár Nathubha and Bhimsinhji	„	382	13	8
Addition to Kumár Ráisinhji's Darbár	„	618	15	8
Varandáh to Public Hospital	„	432	15	7
Khákhrechi culverts	„	50	0	0
Thánadár's office building	„	1,487	6	10
Petty repairs	„	2,170	3	10
Total	Rs.	6,302	7	7

Besides the above Rs. 22,920-10-6 were spent in relief works.

Liquidation of Debt.

26. A sum of Rs. 3,334 has been paid towards the liquidation of Káthiáwár debt during the year. There now remains Rs. 50,811-4-1 to be paid.

27. Rs. 10,000 have been paid towards the Cutch debt. The balance due now amounts to Rs. 58,743-14-0.

Miána Japti and settlement Debt.

28. Nothing having been realized for land and other revenue no sum has been paid this year towards the debt.

Salt.

29. The Ijára farm having ended this year, bids were taken for a new Ijára. No one gave suitable offers; so the salt is gathered departmentally; but very few purchase the salt. I hope at the end of the Famine we may obtain a proper offer for the farm.

Dispensary.

30. 3,115 patients were treated at the Dispensary against 4,221 last year.

31. The Native Vaid treated 2,356 patients as against 1,839 last year.

32. This falling off in the figures for the patients treated at the Dispensary as against the increase by the Vaid shows that the native medicine is more popular or else that the Hospital Assistant does not bestir himself. I am inclined to the latter opinion. A Hospital Assistant and a Vaid are not necessary for a small Táluka; so I am doing away with the post of Vaid.

Vaccination.

33. 301 children were vaccinated as against 317 last year.

Jail.

34. 8 prisoners were in the Jail at the beginning of the year and 183 were admitted during the year. Of these 8 remained in Jail at the close of the year. The total cost of the Jail amounted to Rs. 1,283-11-6.

Municipality.

35. The arrangements are the same as last year.

36. The expenses incurred under this head amounted to Rs. 2,239-1-10 as against Rs. 1,287-15-0 last year.

37. The increase is due to the fact that Rs. 1,000 were given as compensation to people whose lands were taken for widening the streets.

Law and Police.

38. The Courts in the Mália State are the same as last year. The Fouzdár Bahádursing was in charge of the Police during the year and has worked most satisfactorily.

39. There are 59 drilled Police and 79 village Police.

40. During the year there were 27 offences reported to the Police as against 24 last year. 62 persons were arrested by the Police during the year as against 46 last year, out of these 56 were convicted and 6 discharged.

41. The percentage of accused persons to convictions is thus 90·3 against 95·65 last year.

42. Property of the value of Rs. 234-7-0 was reported to have been stolen during the year against Rs. 65-4-6 last year.

43. Property to the value of Rs. 231-15-0 was recovered or a percentage of 98·9.

44. In all 116 cases were reported to the criminal Courts during the year against 147 last year.

45. 184 persons were tried of whom 177 were convicted and 7 acquitted or discharged.

46. The following are the offences committed during the year:—

1	Culpable homicide not amounting to murder,
4	Grievous hurt,
5	Hurt,
29	Theft.
4	Criminal trespass,
85	Other minor offences,
128,	

47. One criminal appeal was made during the year in which the decision of the lower court was upheld.

48. Fines to the extent of Rs. 145-2-0 were imposed of which Rs. 49-4-0 have still to be realized.

49. The maintenance of prisoners and of those convicts who have been transferred to the Ahmedábád and Rájkot jails amounted to Rs. 1,283-11-6. The average daily number of prisoners was 8·45.

Civil.

50. There were 5 cases remaining on the file at the end of last year and 15 cases were filed during the year making a total of 20. Of these 9 of the total value of Rs. 381-6-9 were disposed of leaving 11 cases on the file at the end of the year.

51. There were 2 appeals pending disposal at the end of last year, 2 were filed during the year. None of these have as yet been disposed of.

52. There were 7 applications for execution of decrees of the civil Courts in arrears at the close of last year and 20 were filed during the year. Of these 19 have been disposed of leaving 8 in arrears.

53. There were 5 political cases pending at the end of last year. These have all been disposed of.

Establishment.

54. It was unfortunate that Mr. Máneklál Ládhábhái, the Thánadár left just before the commencement of the Famine. Mr. Kálidás Ravidat during the short time he has held the post has worked satisfactorily.

Hazur office Establishment.

55. Ázam Ishwar Dayárám Shirestedár, Mr. Mádhavji Bhánji and Kárkun Bhimji Nánji have all worked satisfactorily and have managed to cope with the extra work due to Famine.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant,

F. W. WODEHOUSE, Captain,

Assistant Political Agent, In charge Mália.

APPENDIX III.

ANNUAL ADMINISTRATION REPORT OF THE MÁLIA TÁLUKA FOR 1900-1901.

PERSONNEL.

1. Captain F. W. Wodehouse was in charge of the State in addition to his own duties during the year.

2. Ázam Kálidás Ravidat was Thánadár from the commencement of the year until the 17th November, when he retired on pension. He was relieved by Ázam Bápubhái Dolatrái who held charge until 5-12-1900. He was relieved by Ázam Bezanji Mervánji, who is still in charge.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

3. Owing to the financial difficulties of the State, several reductions have been made in the Establishment; but owing to the necessity of meeting a strict supervision over the Miánás much in this way cannot be done.

4. The State debts now amount to Rs. 3,37,432-4-1 of which Rs. 2,80,916 are due to famine.

5. The rain-fall during the year was 11 inches 75 cents. Owing to the want of one or two showers the out-turn of crops was only about 8 annas in the rupee. The cotton flowers were blighted.

6. The general health has been most unsatisfactory. Cholera of the severest type was prevalent during the hot weather, and malaria during the cold season carried off many more than cholera.

7. During the year 85 births and 1,628 deaths were recorded in the State; but many Miánás and others died of fever &c. on outside works.

8. The population by the census shows 9,076 people in the State as compared with 13,589 in 1891; but at the time of the census a large number of Miánás with their families were out on pass employed in mills, carting &c.

9. There were no serious offences during the year. The percentage of convictions obtained by the Police was 90·74.

10. The average number of prisoners in the two jails of the Táluka was 5·1 as against 8·45 in the previous year.

11. Much money has been expended on the Miánás during the famine. When the sum spent on their behalf is made up, they should be called upon to hand over some land for a period of years to the State to recoup itself.

12. The Thákor Modji, who has been residing in Rájkot has behaved most satisfactorily. Kumár Shri Bhimsinhji now receives a separate Jivái.

The widow of the Thákor's brother Jibha and the wife of Kumár Shri Nathubhái Jibha died during the year.

EDUCATION.

13. There are now only 7 Miána boys attending the schools. Two Miánás, who were given scholarships for the Gondal Middle School have absconded.

Public Works.

14. No new public works have been undertaken.

Salt.

15. The revenue from this source was Rs. 257-6-2 during the year as compared with Rs. 1,221. The decrease is reported to be due to the fact that the Tramway rates from Mália to Morvi have been increased.

Miána Japti and Settlement.

16. No revenue was realized under this head. The balance remaining at the end of the year was Rs. 21-2-8.

Civil and Criminal Jurisdiction.

17. Civil and criminal results will be seen from the usual statements.

Establishment.

18. Ázam Bezanji Mervánji during the short time he has been in charge as Thánadár has given complete satisfaction, as has also Ázam Chhaganlál Ghelábhái, my Sherestedár.

My English clerk, Mr. Mádhavji Bhánji has also given satisfaction. Faujdár Bahádursing has done good work in charge of the Police.

F. W. WODEHOUSE, Captain.
Assistant Political Agent,
In charge Mália.

Rádhanpur, 14th May 1901.

APPENDIX III.

Annual Administration Report of the Mália Táluka for 1901-1902.

LIBRARY OF THE BOMBAY BRANCH OF THE ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY

No. 201 of 1902.

From C. C. Watson, Esquire, I.C.S.,
Assistant Political Agent,
In charge Mália.

To H. O. Quin, Esquire, I.C.S.,
Political Agent, Káthiáwár.

Bálachadi, 19th May 1902.

Sir,—I have the honour to forward the Annual Administration Report of the Mália Táluka for the year ending 31st March 1902.

Personnel.

Captain F. W. Wodehouse was in charge of the Táluka in addition to his own duties as Assistant Political Agent, Hálár Pránt, from 1st April to 7th May 1901 when he was appointed to act as Administrator, Rádhanpur State, and was relieved by Captain F. DeB. Hancock. The latter held charge till 19th October 1901 in addition to his own duties as Tutor and Companion to His Highness the Jám Sáheb of Jámnagar and was succeeded by Captain Wodehouse from 21st October 1901, Lieutenant Chauncy holding charge for a day. Captain Wodehouse was again appointed Administrator, Rádhanpur State, and was relieved by Lieutenant Chauncy on 8th December 1901, who was, in his turn, relieved by me on the forenoon of the 13th December 1901. Since then I continue to hold charge of the State. There were thus several changes among the Managers during the year under review.

Ázam Bezanji Merwánji (Junior) continued as Thánadár throughout the year.

General Summary.

The Thákor Modji was permitted by Government in May 1901 to reside at Khákhrechi under certain conditions, as his behaviour, while in Rájkot, had been satisfactory; but he has not gone to Khákhrechi to reside till now.

The Thákor Modji paid a visit to His Excellency the Governor during his stay at Rájkot in November last.

Kumár Shri Gumánsinhji is studying at the Rájkumár College, Rájkot. The Principal of the College reports that he is glad to have had an opportunity of selecting him as a Squadron Officer of the College Corps.

There has been no serious crime in Mália throughout the year.

The rain-fall was very scanty this year and owing to the want of one or two late showers, the crops almost entirely failed. The early rain was, however, useful to the growth of sufficient grass. The rats also damaged to some extent the out-turn of cotton.

Locusts also made their appearance but fortunately no damage was done.

Famine relief works had, therefore, to be started for the Miánás and other persons in need of relief, from the commencement of April. These will be dealt with in détail in the body of the report under proper head. About 141 cultivators were supplied with bullocks, of whom 87 were Miána cultivators.

Mália was visited by Captain Wodehouse in April 1901 and by me in January 1902 and the treasury and records were inspected.

Revenue and Finance. A statement of receipts and charges is appended from which all the information under this head can be seen at a glance.

Weather and crops. The rain-fall during the year under report was only 7 inches 86 cents, as against 11′ 75″ in the past year. Owing to the scanty rain-fall and the bad want of one or two final showers, the plants withered away and the crops almost perished except those that could be saved by irrigation.

The out-turn of cotton was besides damaged by rats and was only 2 annas in the rupee.

The grass has, however, proved sufficient for the cattle.

Locusts had made their appearance in this Táluka during the year on 16th October but no damage was done. A detailed report was submitted at the time.

The public health was generally good and there was no epidemic of any kind during the year under reference.

Registration of births and deaths. 219 births and 458 deaths were recorded in the Táluka during the year as compared with 85 births and 1,628 deaths in the year previous.

Civil and Criminal results can be seen from the usual statements. Execution of civil decrees against cultivators was stopped under your sanction.

Judicial. Besides the one criminal case committed to and disposed of by this Court as Assistant Sessions Judge and one civil appeal decided by this Court, one review application, one miscellaneous civil appeal in execution proceedings and 3 applications for certificate of heirship were disposed of during the year under report.

Police. There were no serious offences during the year.

The percentage of convictions to those sent for trial was 87·5 as against 92·6 in the preceding year.

The Mália Police Fouzdár has, during the year of report, captured two outlaws of the Cutch State and one notorious dacoit Mowar Máya Punja. This dacoit was evading arrest from a long time past and was concerned in the dacoity of 1900 in Dhandhuka (Ahmedábád Zilla). He is alleged to have committed depredations in Baroda, Cutch and Káthiáwár territories.

Rs. 50 fifty have been sent as reward by the Cutch Authorities for the capture of the Cutch outlaws.

Jails. The average number of prisoners in the two jails of the Táluká was 6·83 as against 5·1 in the previous year.

Education. Kumár Shri Gumánsinhji studies in the Rájkumár College, Rájkot. The Principal of the College reports favourably about him.

Kumár Bháratsinhji studies in the Gujaráti 3rd standard in the Middle School at Mália. He is reported by the Head Master to be active and hard-working.

Besides the Middle School, there are 5 Gujaráti and 2 Girls' Schools in the Táluka, and two English Classes have been attached to the School at Khákhrechi.

The number of Miána boys in the School at Mália was 3 as compared with 7 the year previous. The Miánás, as a class, are very backward in sending their children to school.

There was an increase of 6 girls over past year in the Girl School at Mália, where the tuition is given by a School Mistress.

Salt. The revenue from this source was Rs. 368-14-0 as against Rs. 257-6-2 in the year 1900-1. A separate report has been submitted to explain the great decrease in the salt revenue owing to increase in Tramway rates from Mália to Morvi.

Miána Japti and Settlement. Two statements of receipts and charges under these heads are appended.

Public Works. The new public works were undertaken during the year.

Relief Works. During the year under report, which was one of scarcity, relief was found to be necessary from the very commencement and petty works were started at first for the Miánás and others requiring relief. These were—

(1) excavation of the 3 tanks at Khákhrechi,

(2) thorn hedge round Mália with 3 wooden gates,

(3) repairs to roads, &c.,

(4) preparation of chunam by lime-kilns. This was a remunerative work. But when these local resources were exhausted in August 1901 the works of—

(1) restoring Mália-Machhu river causeway,

(2) reclamation of the Mulvadar Sim 7 miles from Mália, known as the Káradia bund, and

(3) canal from the Machhu river to the Mália tank were taken in hand by the Agency Engineer and are in progress. The aged and infirm and those absolutely unfit for work were given food, jowári flour and khichdi from the middle of June 1901.

The total expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 23,085-15-4 during the year under review.

Besides Rs. 9,172-10-2 were spent on Tagávi to cultivators.

These relief works form an important factor in the decrease of serious offences.

Liquidation of Debt. Rs. 2,134-9-0 were paid towards the liquidation of interest on the Government famine loan and Rs. 2,255-2-9 towards the debt due to Cutch and Rs. 405-10-0 to Báwa Kaliángar. In all Rs. 4,795-5-9 were paid in liquidation of the State debt during the year under report.

Loans. The following loans were taken during the year :—

Rs.	1,825	Famine Deposit Loan.
„	38,000	Government Loan.
„	5,000	Charitable Fund Loan.
„	44,825.	

The total famine loans taken up to the end of the year of report amount to Rs. 2,75,741.

General. As there was no general register of lands (*Káyam Khardo*) in the Táluka, the services of a Surveyor were applied for and sanctioned by you during the year.

Conclusion. In conclusion I would draw your attention to the excellent work done by Mr. Bezanji Merwánji as Thánadár throughout the year. It is most satisfactory to feel that in him I have thoroughly trustworthy Officer who spares no pains in the execution of his duty.

The Fouzdár has kept his police in a state of efficiency and his activity has resulted in the capture of several notorious outlaws. He deserves great credit for this.

Ázam Chhaganlal Ghelábhái, my Sheristedár, Mr. Mádhavji Bhánji, English Clerk and the rest of my office establishment have worked well and given me satisfaction.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant,

C. C. WATSON,
Assistant Political Agent,
In charge Mália.

STATEMENT of receipts and charges of the Miána Debt Settlement Contribution Fund for St. 1957.

No.	Receipts.	Amount.			Remarks.	No.	Charges.	Amount.			Remarks.
1	Opening balance	21	2	8		1	Establishment	257	7	4	
2	Collection of varád of Settlement Officer's pay, &c.	300	12	0		2	Kájarda Police Patel's pay	102	8	0	
3	Loan from Miána Caste Land Fund.....	102	8	0				359	15	4	
	Total receipts....	424	6	8			Closing balance.....	64	7	4	
								424	6	8	

19th May 1902.

C. C. WATSON,
Assistant Political Agent,
In charge Mália.

STATEMENT of receipts and charges on account of Caste Fund Land of Miánás for St. 1957.

No.	Receipts.	Amount.	Remarks.	No.	Charges.	Amount.	Remarks.
1	Opening balance	88 14 10		1	Establishment	371 15 1	
2	Land Revenue	411 10 4		2	Contribution towards pay of city police	260 0 0	
3	Sudhára Cess	219 15 11		3	Sudhára cess	1,300 0 0	
4	Recovery of Tagávi	2,425 9 7		4	Liquidation of debt due to State	2,485 9 7	
5	Loan from the State	5,109 9 3		5	Miscellaneous majmu charges	496 6 9	
	Total Receipts....	8,315 11 11		6	Advances to Miána cultivators	3,025 14 4	
				7	Do. Settlement Charges	102 8 0	
						8,042 5 9	
					Closing balance	273 6 2	
						8,315 11 11	

19th May 1902.

C. C. WATSON,
Assistant Political Agent,
In charge Mália.

No. 350 of 1904-05.

FROM,

MAJOR F. W. WODEHOUSE,

Political Agent,

In Charge Malia State.

To,

Colonel W. P. Kennedy,

Agent to the Governor, Kathiawar.

Rajkot, 20/22 June 1904.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward the Annual Administration report of the Malia State for the year ending 31st March 1904.

Personnel.

1. C. C. Watson Esq. I. C. S. was in charge of the State upto 30th April 1903, when his services were placed at the disposal of the Government of India. He was relieved by J. E. B. Hotson Esq. I. C. S. On Mr. Hotson being appointed as Superintendent Managed Estates, Kathiawar, on the 16th November F. W. Allison Esq. I. C. S. took charge and held charge of the State until relieved by me on the 20th February 1904.

2. Ajam Girdharlal Madhavrai was Thanadar until the 6th December when he was appointed Manager of Khari Bagasara. He was relieved by Ajam Jivanlal Harjivandas.

3. Kumar Shri Raisingji Heir apparent has been appointed Honorary 3rd Class Magistrate to try cases in which Mianas are not concerned.

4. Kumar Shri Gumansinghji and Bharatsinghji both study in the Rajkumar College. The latter joined the College on the 11th November. Mr. Mayne reports very favourably on K. S. Gumansingji, and he is certainly one of the most promising boys in the College.

Law and Justice.

5. There was no serious crime during the year under report.

6. Only 3 of the escaped convicts from the Petlad Jail are still at large.

Their lands have been confiscated on account of their non-surrender.

7. The results of Civil and Criminal cases can be seen from the Statements.

8. One Sessions case, one Political case, 2 Civil cases and 2 Civil appeals were decided by this Court. At the end of the year, 1 Heir certificate case and two Civil appeals were in arrears.

9. The percentage of convictions to those sent for trial was 58.88 as against 88 in the previous year.

10. The average number of prisoners in the two Jails of the State was 2.38 as against 9.31 in the previous year.

Public Works.

11. No famine works were necessary during the year.

12. The Karadia work, which is incomplete will be finished during this year. The Bundh has already improved the Malwadar Sim, which is about 6000 acres in extent, and it is hoped that a great portion of this land will be culturable after two or three good monsoons.

Weather & Crops.

13. The rain-fall registered during the year was 18 inches 14 cents as against 27 inches 90 cents in the previous year. The late rains unfortunately failed, so the out-turn was only about As. 12 in the Rupee. Grass was sufficient.

Public-Health.

14. No epidemics of any sort broke out in the State during the year.

Registration of births and deaths.

262 births and 266 deaths were registered as against 184 & 265 in the previous year.

Education.

15. In the State there is a Middle School with 5 Gujarati and 2 Girls Schools. Two English classes have been formed at the Khakhrechi School.

16. There are now 63 Miana boys in the Malia school as against 23 in the previous year. It is satisfactory to see that this backword caste are sending their sons to school. To encourage education among Mianas twenty five rupees are provided every year for books for Mianas.

17. The numbers in the girls-school at Malia showed a slight increase.

Revenue & Finance.

18. A statement of receipts and expenditure is appended as also two statements of receipts and expenditure of Miana Japti and Settlement.

19. Rs. 12000, and Rs. 2999-12-8 were paid towards the Local Fund Famine Loan and the Cutch debt respectively. A Loan of Rs. 5000 was taken from Government. The total Loans for famine outstanding upto end of the year amounted to Rs. 418173-3-9.

20. The financial condition of the State is deplorable. Besides the famine debts, there are other state debts amounting to Rs. 119265-13-5 as follows :—

Rs. 68215-13-5..... Cutch debt.
51050-0-0..... Merchants &c.

21. The revenue derived from salt was Rs. 245 as against Rs. 304-3-2. The steady decrease in this source of income is owing to hindrances on the part of the Morvi State.

General Concluding Remarks.

22. The rules for the better control of the Mianas were, although sanctioned by Government in the year under report, were not brought into force until the 1st May 1904.

23. Since I took over charge, Azam Madhavji Bhanji, Sheristedar, and my office establishment have worked satisfactorily and I understand that they have done so during the year. The Malia Thanadar Azam Jivanlal H. has only been in charge a few months : but has worked well and energetically.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant,

F. W. WODEHOUSE Major,
Political Agent, Incharge Malia.

APPENDIX .

Malia State.

Statement of receipts and expenditure for 1902-03 the year ending October 1903.

Receipts.				Expenditure.			
Items.	Rupees.			Items.	Rupees.		
Opening balance.	24886	4	...	I. General Administration.	12232	1	8
I. Land Revenue	49217	0	11	II. Jail Charges	510	10	5
II. Taxes.	5594	2	5	III. Police	16288	4	4
III. Sayer.	17625	6	10	IV. Political	3380	11	3
IV. Law and Justice.	1377	10	...	V. Bardashi Khata	124	7	...
V. Education.	144	6	...	VI. Education.	2496	6	5
VI. Interest.	619	9	4	VII. Forest.	750	8	8
VII. Miscellaneous.	... ...	...	...	VIII. Public Works			
(a) Sale of Ornaments.	... ...	..	...	(a) Relief Works	18265	6	6
(b) Other Miscellaneous.	957	15	4	(b) Other Works.	2707	8	4
Total Revenue	75536	2	10	IX. Darbar Charges.	23067	8	11
VIII. Adjustments				X. Allowances etc.	236	5	5

IX.	Deposits *(a)*	6596	9	5	XI.	Travellers Bungalow.	... ...	...	...
	Debts. *(b)*	... ...	...	...	XII.	Municipality.	944	14	4
X.	**Refunds of advances etc.**				XIII.	Medical	1101	8	10
	Tagavi	8157	5	3	XIV.	Revenue Survey.	198	11	6
	Other advances	13367	10	9	XV.	Miscellaneous.	950	7	...
	Outstandings...	9983	13	0	XVI.	Adjustments.	... ...	...	...
XI.	Loans.	5000	...	...	XVII.	Refunds etc.	1375	13	8
	Total Receipts. ...	118641	9	3		Total expenditure.	84,631	6	3
	Grand Total.	1,43527	13	3	XVIII.	Debts etc. paid.	14,999	12	8
					XIX.	Deposits repaid.	6109	14	8
					XX.	Advances and outstandings	... ...	...	...
						Tagavi	2553	5	11
						Other advances.	15007	5	6
						Outstandings	2746	12	9
						Total.....	126048	9	9
						Closing balance.	17479	3	6
						Grand Total.	1,43,527	13	3

Rajkot,
20th June 1904.

F. WODEHOUSE Major.
Political Agent,
incharge Malia.

Statement of receipts and charges of the Miana Debt Settlement Contribution Fund 1902–03.

No.	Receipts.	Amount.			Remarks.	No.	Charges.	Amount.			Remarks.
1	Opening balance.	74	2	...		1	Establishment.	334	14	6	
2	Collection of Varad.	593	4	1		2	Kajarda Police Patel's pay.	99	....	...	
3	Loan from Miana caste land Fund.	....	....	...		3	Japti debt.	100	....	....	
	Total receipts	667	6	1				533	14	6	
							Closing balance.	133	7	7	
							Rs.	667	6	1	

Rajkot.
20th June 1904.

F. WODEHOUSE Major.
Political Agent.
incharge Malia State.

Statement of receipts and charges on account of caste Land Fund of Mianas for 1902-1903.

No.	Receipts.	Amount.			Remarks.	No.	Charges.	Amount.			Remarks.
1	Opening balance.	31	5	1		1	Establishment.	397	7	6	
2	Land Revenue.	654	2	10		2	Contribution towards pay of City Police.	260	...	...	
3	Grass.	73	...	...		3	Sudhara cess.	1300	...	...	
4	Miscellaneous.	4	11	10		4	Liquidation of debt due to State.	4006	14	5	
5	Ijaras.	600	...	...		5	Miscellaneous caste charges.	433	12	0	
6	Vatantar field dues.	60	....	....		6	Tagavi.	6080	10	9	
7	Sudhara Cess.	1300	....	...		7	Outstandings.	1387	12	8	
8	Recovery of Tagavi.	4006	14	5			Total Rs.	13,866	10	3	
9	Loan from State.	6971	14	6			Closing balance	86	11	10	
10	Outstandings of grass account.	79	....	...			Total.	13, 953	6	1	
11	Settlement account.	100	...	...							
12	Outstandings of Sudhara cess.	54	5	5							
13	Miscellaneous deposits.	18	...	....							
	Total Rs.	13,953	6	1							

Rajkot,
20 June 1904.

F. WODEHOUSE Major.
Political Agent, incharge
Malia State.

No. 371 of 1905.

From,

CAPTAIN W. BEALE,

Political Agent in charge Malia State.

To,

COLONEL W. P. KENNEDY,

Agent to the Governor, Kathiawar.

Rajkot 1st August 1905.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit the annual Administration Report of the Malia Taluka for the year ending 31st March 1905.

Personnel.

2. Major F. W. Wodehouse was in charge of the Taluka in addition to his own duties as Political Agent Halar Prant from 1st April 1904 to 31st January 1905 when he went on 13 months leave to England and was succeeded by Major Carnegy who was killed by a lion while shooting in the Gir. His death was lamented by all. He was well acquainted with the Malia Taluka, having been in charge of it, a few years ago.

Upon the death of Major Carnegy I took charge of this office in addition to my duties as Political Agent Halar Prant on 20th March 1905, only a few days before the expiration of the financial year.

3. Azam Jivanlal was Thandar throughout the year except for three months for which period he was on privilege leave. During the absence of Mr. Jivanlal Mr. Kanji Chatur acted for him.

General Summary.

4. Marriage of K. S. Gumansinhji the eldest son of the heir-apparent was celebrated on 10th December 1904, with the daughter of Parmar Verabhai Bhayat of Muli.

5. K. S Gumansinhji having completed his studies at the Rajkumar College has been withdrawn from the institution. He has been attending the Malia Thandar's Court as sanctioned by you. This will give him experience and qualify him for taking part in the work of the State.

6. Thakor Modji came to Rajkot in the month of March on the occasion of his excellency the Governor of Bombay's visit and attended the Durbar with the other Chiefs.

7. Malia was visited by Major Wodehouse in November 1904. The Treasury and records were inspected by him.

8. K. S. Bharatsinhji younger son of Raisinhji has been prosecuting his studies in the Rajkumar College at Rajkot. Mr. Mayne the Principal reports very favourably on him.

9. There was no serious crime during the year under report.

Law and Justice.

10. Only three of the escaped convicts from the Petlad Jail named, Kajadia Mamaya Alio, Movar Jaga Logdhir and Talab Juma Lakha are still at large.

11. The results of the Civil and Criminal cases can be seen from the statement submitted.

12. Two sessions cases, One criminal appeal, 3 civil appeals and one heir-certificate case were decided by this Court during the year under report.

13. The Malia Thandar exercises the powers of a second class Magistrate and he is also a committing Magistrate. Besides this there are two third class Magistrates and one honorary third class Magistrate in this Taluka.

14. The percentage of convictions to those sent up for trial was 42.3 as against 58.88 in the previous year.

15. The average number of prisoners in the two Jails of the Taluka was 1.5 as against 2.38 in the previous year.

Police.

16. The police of the Taluka is being reorganized as sanctioned by Government.

Public Works.

17, No famine work was necessary during the year under report but a sum of Rs. 10092 has been paid on account of the supervision charges of the Agency Engineer of the famine works carried out under his supervision since the famine year of 1899-1900. No new public works were under taken during the year under report.

Weather and Crops.

18. The rainfall registered during the year was 10 inches 30 cents as against 18 inches 14 cents in the previous year. On account of deficit in the rainfall the Agtar out turn was only two annas and the Pachhtar 6 annas. Grass was sufficient.

19. No epidemic of any serious nature broke out in the State during the year under report.

Public health.

20. 344 births and 237 deaths were registered as against 262 and 266 in the previous year.

Registration of Births and Deaths.

21. Besides the Middle School, there are 5 Gujarati and 2 Girl Schools in the Taluka with two English classes attached to the school at Khakhrechi.

Education.

22. The number of Miana boys in the school at Malia was 18 compared with 63 in the previous year. The decrease in the number is reported to be due to the fact that many Mianas had gone out for labour.

23. A statement of receipts and charges is appended as also two statements of receipts and expenditure of Miana Japti and settlement.

Revenue and Finance.

24. Rs. 1739-13-2 were paid towards the Cutch debt besides Rs. 2753-12-0 paid on account of interest on Cutch debt, Rs. 11760-5-0 interest on Local Fund Loan, Rs. 6308-8-7 Government Loan and 131-9-9 on account of interest on Rs. 10092 drawn by Agency Engineer from the Rajkot Hazur Treasury on behalf of this Taluka for his supervision charges. This item of Rs. 10092 has also been paid to the Hazur Treasury during the year under report.

25. The financial condition of this Taluka is most deplorable. Besides the Famine debts of Rs. 187952 of Government Loan and Rs. 213081-3-9 of Local Fund Loan, there are other State debts amounting to Rs. 134026 as shown under.

Rs.	66,476	Cutch debt.
Rs.	500,50	Merchants &.
Rs.	17,500	Wawania Port Trust Fund to be paid to the Cutch State.
	1,34,026	

The revenue derived from salt was 247 as against Rs. 245 during the previous year. The steady decrease in this source of income is owing to hindrances on the part of the Morvi State.

The population of this Taluka is 9076 including about 3200 Mianas. The area is 103 square miles.

Population and Area.

General and Concluding Remarks.

26. The rules for the better control of the Mianas have worked well and the Mianas have begun to understand their responsibilities.

27. An outlaw named Mowar Bhoja Ragha who was at large has been arrested by the Agency Police with the help of the Malia Police during this year. This man has been surrendered to the Jamnagar State for the offences committed by him in the Jamnagar territories.

28. Azam Madhavji Bhanji the Sheristedar is zealous and painstaking and the English clerk Mr. Munshi drafts an excellent letter. The establishment is satisfactory. Azam Jivanlal H. continues to do useful work and I ought to mention the name of Mr Inaitulla of the Agency Police who has been temporarily sent to the Malia Police as Foujdar and is a zealous officer.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

W. BEALE, Captain,

Political Agent In Charge Malia.

Malia State.

Statement of Receipts and expenditure for 1903-04 the year ending October 1904.

Receipts.					Expenditure.				
	Items.	Rupees.				Items.	Rupees.		
	Opening balance	17479	3	6	1	General Administration...	11020	8	8
1	Land revenue	57679	10	2	2	Jail Charges	394	1	10
2	Taxes	6138	14	8	3	Police	15887	3	9
3	Sayer	19555	7	4	4	Political	3217	3	8
4	Law & Justice	1606	12	10	5	Bardashi khata	96	9	2
5	Education	150	5	0	6	Edueation	2563	9	2
6	Interest	5361	0	7	7	Forest	666	10	3
7	Miscellaneous.				8	Public works			
	(*a*) Sale of ornaments	0	0	0		(*a*) Relief works	10749	7	3
	(*b*) Other miscellaneous	1474	12	5		(*b*) Other works	969	0	9
	Total Revenue.....	91966	15	0	9	Darbar charges.	22482	5	8
					10	Allowances &c:	342	12	3
					11	Traveller's Bangalow	0	0	0

8	Adjustment	47	9	2
9	Deposits (*a*)	5976	8	1
	Debts (*b*)	0	0	0
10	Refunds of advances &c			
	Tagavi	8650	14	10
	Other advances.	12202	7	11
	Outstandings ... cash	5618	5	9
	Outstandings ... remissions	263	14	5
	Total.....	26735	10	11
	Total Receipts.....	124726	11	2
	Grand Total...	142205	14	8

12	Municipality	888	8	5
13	Medical	1140	10	4
14	Revenue Survey...	408	1	10
15	Miscellaneous	244	8	2
16	Adjustment	0	0	0
17	Refunds &c.	999	9	0
	Total Expenditure...	72070	14	2
18	Debts etc. paid	29262	6	9
19	Deposit repaid	5621	15	11
20	Advances and outstandings Tagavi	557	13	0
	Other advances	13100	10	6
	Outstandings	1249	7	1
	Total.....	121863	3	5
	Closing balance.....	20342	11	3
	Grand Total.....	142205	14	8

Rajkot. 1st August 1905.

W. BEALE, CAPTAIN,
Political Agent in charge Malia

Statement of receipts and charges on account of Caste Land Fund of Mianas for 1903-04.

No.	Receipts.	Amount.			Remarks.
1	Opening balance	86	11	10	
2	Land revenue	1168	0	0	
3	Sudhara cess	1300	0	0	
4	Miscellaneous	12	0	0	
5	Miscellaneous deposits... ...	100	0	0	
6	Out standings	5675	8	0	
	Total...	8342	3	10	

No.	Charges.	Amount.			Remarks.
1	Establishment	410	0	0	
2	Contribution towards pay of city police	260	0	0	
3	Political charges	1300	0	0	
4	Darbar charges...	500	0	0	
5	Remissions and Refund ...	300	0	0	
6	Liquidation of debt due to state	5000	0	0	
7	Advances and outstandings ...	377	15	6	
	Total....	8147	15	6	
	Closing balance	194	4	4	
	Total...	8342	3	10	

Rajkot. 1st August 1905.

W. BEALE, Captain,
Political Agent in charge Malia

Statement of receipts and charges of the Miana Debt Settlement Contribution Fund 1903-04.

No.	Receipts.	Amount.			Remarks.
1	Opening balance.	133	7	7	
2	Collection of Varad.	788	2	0	
3	Loan from Miana caste land Fund.	.....	...	...	
	Total Receipts...	921	9	7	

No.	Charges.	Amount.			Remarks.
1	Establishment.	369	0	0	
2	Kajarda Police Patels Pay....	99	0	0	
3	Japti debt paid.	200	8	0	
	Total...	668	8	0	
	Closing balance...	253	1	7	
	Total...	921	9	7	

Rajkot. 1st August 1905.

W. BEALE, CAPTAIN,
Political Agent in charge Malia.

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No. 303 Of 1906.

From,

MAJOR W. BEALE,

POLITICAL AGENT,

INCHARGE MALIA STATE.

To,

P. S. V. FITZ GERALD, Esquire., C. S. I.

AGENT TO THE GOVERNOR,

KATHIAWAD.

POLITICAL AGENT MALIA OFFICE.

RAJKOT, 20 July 1906.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit the annual Administration Report of the Malia State for the year ending 31st March 1906.

CHAPTER I.

General and Political.

The area of this State is 103 square Miles consisting of 17000 acres arable and 7000 acres of Khari and unproductive land belonging to the State. The rest of the land is owned by the Bhayats and Mulgirasias under the State.

The village of Kataria in the Cutch limit is shared by the State with Vandhia and Chitrod estates both under His Highness the Rao of Cutch.

The population according to the last census of 1901 A. D. is 9076.

The average gross revenue of the State comes to about Rs. 70,000 per year. This is based on the average of the last 5 years which yielded irregular revenue to the State on account of bad seasons. In a good year the revenue of the State can be expected to be Rs. 95000.

This State pays an annual tribute of Rs. 1182 to H. H. the Gaekwar and Rs. 185 to H. H. the Nabob of Junagadh as Zortalbi.

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Thakor Modji Muluaji 60 years of age and by caste a Jadeja Rajput is the Chief who has a natural son and heir K. S. Raisinghji of nearly 40 years of age. The latter has 3 sons of whom K. S. Gumansinhji is the eldest. Thakor Modji had 3 wives of whom one Subjiba alone is living. She is a daughter of a Bhayat of Vadod a Taluka in the Jhalawad Prant under the Kathiawar Agency.

Malia State was taken under Agency management in 1892 (vide notification Extraordinary in the Agency Gazette dated 13-9-1892). No event of importance has occurred during the year under report. I paid two visits to Malia during the year under report, the first in May 1905 and the second in December last. During these visits I inspected all the villages of Malia and examined the Treasury, records and some other works like Karadia reclamation work, Malia Bandh, Machhu cause way, Wind mill and Malia tank and Khakhrechi tank works which were started as relief works during the famine years. The Karadia and Malia Bundhs had been damaged by the rains and so they required certain repairs. A sum of Rs. 7000 in all has been provided for these works in the current year's budget and they are in progress, the former under the supervision of the Agency Engineer and the latter departmentally under the supervision of the Malia Thandar. It has been found necessary to provide a bridge across the upper end of the Khakhrechi tank to allow of the passage of cultivators proceeding with their carts to the sim and for this Rs. 700 have been set apart.

K. S. Raisinghji and K. S. Gumansinhji have been given a part in the affairs of the State, the former as an Honorary 3rd class Magistrate and the latter as an Honorary Assistant Revenue Officer. K. S. Bharatsinghji the younger brother of Gumansinghji is a student in the Rajkumar College at Rajkot. He has been making good progress.

Thakor Modji had gone to Chhota Udeypur in Rewa Kantha and to Chuda in Jhalawad on the celebration of the marriages of his grandsons during the year.

Appendix I is attached to this report showing State and Residency officials with accompanying remarks.

K. S. Nathubha, a nephew of the Thakor, has been given the post of Mounted Jamadar in the Malia Police on probation.

Merubha Kaliansingh a Bhayat of Dhrangadhra was appointed to the post of Malia Chief Constable on the resignation of Mr. Naranji who has been appointed as Assistant Superintendent of Police Cambay. It is advisable to encourage these girasias to have some useful employment and with

this object Merubha has been specially selected. He is not without previous experience of Police work.

CHAPTER II.

Administration of land.

The Bhagvati or system of levying Vaje in kind and Vero in cash is in progress, throughout the State ever since the Darbar time and is continued during the Management. The fluctuating levies of Darbari Kharajat in kind was a riddle to the illiterate cultivators and a curse to the revenue officials. Major Wodehouse my predecessor with the consent of the principal cultivators of the State introduced the Chokha bhag system by converting the levies of Darbari Kharajat in kind into a cash levy of Rs. 3¼ per santi (90 Wighas of land) under your sanction. The substitution has been based on an average calculation and is fixed at such a scale that the cultivators not only pay it easily but willingly.

No waste land was taken into cultivation during the year under report beyond a few patches here and there but an attempt is being made to reclaim a very large area of land called Karadia which was lying waste upto year St. 1956-57. Since then a vast area of salt land has been enclosed on 3 sides with an earthen bandh to provide a large water catchment whereby the brackish land will be gradually converted into culturable soil. The project is a very beneficial one and likely to be a great source of increase to the revenues of the State.

No alienation of land was made during the year as it is impossible to do so during the time of management. No new boundary settlement with the neighbouring States is necessary in as much as they all have been settled and demarcated long ago but for the preservation in tact of these boundaries periodical repairs and refixing of boundary stones are carefully attended to. The boundary of the lands of Karadia and Mulwadhar &c. decided in favour of this State by my predecessor Major Carnegy as against the Mianas of Kajerda will be demarcated soon, as a decision in appeal lying in your Court has been recently passed in favour of the State.

Rs. 2,992 were advanced during the year under report as tagavi to the State cultivators, and the Miana land holders for seeds and food grains.

During the last year there was a regretable want of latter rains and the consequence was that the realization of the Pachhtar crops fell short of general expectations.

There was no noticeable variation in the area of cultivation except that some more patches of padtar and weed lands were brought under cultivation.

Remissions of State dues of a revenue nature from various cultivators and other persons were written off to the amount of Rs. 3550 as recommended by the Committee appointed under your order No. 736 dated 22-2-1904.

Suspension of the recovery of cash vero &c. under the spirit of your Circular No. 560 dated 4-11-1904 on account of bad years was made to the amount of Rs. 18000 and odd. No coercive measures were found necessary of adoption.

CHAPTER III.

Protection.

Legislation—As shown in the appendix 2 all British and Agency laws Civil and Criminal are made applicable, there being only a very slight modification in the Registration and stamp rules to suit local requirements and they are working most satisfactorily. The Miana Regulations which were specially sanctioned by the Bombay Government for the better control of Mianas in Malia are in force and they work very well. There has been no military force in this State.

Police.

There are in this State regular mounted and foot police besides irregular city and village police of its own, independent of the Agency Police. The regular police generally carry, as elsewhere, breech loading and muzzle loading smooth bore carbines and side arms while the mounted police carry swords besides. The irregular police have swords spears and knives, some have guns also, for which they are obliged to obtain Passes. The force consists of men of long experience and good standing and are selected with a special eye to the exigencies of a place like Malia the habitat of an unprincipled tribe. The force as it stood during the past year (41 Foot and 16 Mounted) has been reduced since August last under the new scheme sanctioned by Government for economic reasons. It now stands at 33 Foot and 14 Mounted, besides these the city and village police number 56. This gives a ratio of 1 p. c. to the population and 1 per square mile of area. The reorganization of the police has effected a saving of Rs. 1,440 to the State per annum without impairing its efficiency. The cost of the Force is Rs. 13,581 per annum as compared with that of last year Rs. 15021.

Appendices V, VI, VII will show the working of the police. It would appear that there is an increase by 56 in the number of offences committed, and 59 in the number of accused arrested. The reason for this may well be attributed to the greater vigilance exercised by the Police. Convictions

were obtained in 79 p. c. of cases, as compared with 88.8 last year. The percentage of recoveries of stolen property has fallen to 85.9 p. c. as against 95.2 last year.

Extradition.

As is very natural there are several outside demands for extradition of criminals. Mianas almost in all cases and in rare cases from the State.

Jail.

The Jail buildings are particularly suited for a town like Malia and were specially built since the time of Management at a cost of Rs. 2087.

Appendix XIII gives required figures as to the number, health and general conduct of Miana prisoners. The Miana prisoners are quiet when in Malia Jail. The local Thandar is the Jail Superintendent. The prisoners are supplied with food &c. according to the rules. Local labour is exacted as usual.

Registration.

The Thandar is the registering officer in the terms of the rules. Documents upto Rs. 3000 of sale or mortgage are registered by him. Any document above this value is registered by this office. Appendices XIV and XV will show the nature and value of documents registered and receipt and expenditure incurred on that account.

Municipality.

There is no municipal tax in any shape recovered from the rayat nor Conservancy nor water charges. Consequently there is no receipt whatever on this account, but expenditure is incurred with regard to lighting and sweeping of the streets in the ~~State~~ town. A peon is also employed to supervise the sanitation under the immediate control of the Malia Thandar and Honorary Assistant Revenue Officer K. S. Gumansinhji. Appendix XVI is filled in and attached.

Village Police.

As said above there are 56 village and city police and they are one and all cash paid servants except in the Bhayati villages where the practice is that some are given land on service tenure while others receive Jiwai in grain.

Criminal and Civil Justice.

The Chief Court in the State is that of the Political Agent and Manager in charge of the State holding powers of an Assistant Sessions Judge in Criminal matters, and hearing suits upto Rs. 10,000 of a Civil nature, hearing also appeals against the decisions of the Local Thandar in Civil and Criminal matters. The Subordinate Courts are those of the Local Thandar and the Khakhrechi Vahiwatdar. The powers

of the former are 2nd class and Committing Magistrate in Criminal cases in civil matters he hears suits upto Rs. 5000. He is also the executive officer as contemplated in the new rules regarding the better control of the Mianas. The Thandar's Shirestedar has been invested with the powers of a 3rd class Magistrate. K. S. Raisinghji is an Honorary Magistrate of the 3rd class with regard to Criminal cases in which no Miana is a party. The Khakhrechi Vahiwatdar exercises powers of a 3rd class Magistrate and hears civil suits upto Rs. 250.

The statement Appendix VIII will show the Criminal work of these Courts. Similarly appendices X & XI will show the Civil work done by them. Appendix XII shows the Civil appeals decided by this Court during the year under report.

CHAPTER IV.

Production and distribution.

A. *Weather and Crops*:—The rainfall during the year under report measured 26′–31″ as compared with 9′–81″ last year. The average of the last 5 years comes to nearly 21. Unfortunately however out of the entire rain fall about 25 inches fell in the last week of July. It benefited the Agtar Crops, specially the Bajri but the absence of latter rains during August and September had a bad effect on the Jowari Crop. Pachhtar or Rabi crops appeared to be promising at the commencement but the realization of them fell considerably short of expectations owing to the unseasonable rain during the month of February. The consequence was that the year turned out to be one of 10 to 11 annas in the rupee instead of 14 annas as had been expected.

Wages and labour prices of food grain.

B. Since May 1905, the demand for labour increased.

Relief works on large scales were opened at Malia, Kajarda and Chikhli. New earthen bandhs were built at Malia and Chikhli. The one already existing at Kajarda was repaired only. These works had to be stopped on account of the copious rains in July which did much damage to the recent repairs. During the period of relief Rs. 3523 were expended on the works. The wages were paid according to the usual relief rates. The prices of food grains continued to be at famine rates.

Forest.

C. There is no forest in this State. Babul trees grow here and there which are principally utilized for agricultural purposes and some are sold for fuel.

D. There is no Factory in the State. The general trade is in grains.

E. There is no regular public works department, the repairs to the roads &c. however are always done. A permanent Karkun is employed on a salary of Rs. 9 p. m. and is engaged in supervising petty repairs to School Hospital and other State buildings. Last year the expense under this head amounted to Rs. 698.

Appendix XIX is attached.

F. There are two post offices in the State, one at Malia, and the other at Khakhrechi where the School master is working in addition to his own duties. Malia has also telegraphic communication.

G. There is no mint in the State.

H. The general condition of the State and people is not good as a result of successive bad years. The State is deeply in debt and its subjects very poor. The public health continued to be fair throughout the year except as detailed under Chapter VI. Agricultural stock and implements with bullocks are proportionate to the land under cultivation.

CHAPTER V.

Revenue and Finance.

The total gross revenue of the State is estimated at Rs. 90,000. The last year St. 1961 was most unfavourable and its cash realization only was (Rs. 55,696, including land produce realized 6 annas in the rupee which is the chief source of income. The State was obliged to take a Government loan of Rs. 20,000 to meet its ordinary administrative expenses and Darbar charges. Under Government orders it became necessary to temporarily curtail the Jiwai of the Chief and members of his family by $\frac{1}{4}$th of their sum. This has been made good to them again out of the realizations of St. 1962.

Appendix No. XXII is attached which shows the actual realization and and charges as well as arrears that remained due at the end of the year.

As to the indebtedness of the State a summary is given with the above statement. The following figures will show the detailed liabilities.

1,87,592	Government loan raised during St, 1956 to 1958.
2,13,081	Famine Fund Loan. Do. Do.
50,051	To the traders or weparis debt decreed under the Encumbered Estates Rules.

66,476 To the Cutch State since the Darbar time.

17,500 Taken from Wawania Port Trust fund now ordered to be paid to the Cutch State.

19,377 Government Loan raised in St. 1961.

5,54,077.

During the current year out of the realizations of St. 1962 Rs. 22158 and odd (including interest Rs. 400 upto 31st March last) have been paid off against the Government Loan.

The annual revenue when compared with the annual charges of administration and Darbar expenditure leaves little balance to meet the principal of the debts after paying all interest except that of Veparis so it will take a long time, say, some 40 years to free the State from debt.

It should be observed here that the deep indebtedness of this State is due to the Mianas, for the State has to make advances to them and to provide work for them during bad years.

CHAPTER VI.

Vital. Statistics.

There is only one dispensary in the State located at Malia itself the Capital. On the representation of the Chief and the rayats of Khakhrechi a native Vaid is to be posted at Khakhrechi at an annual cost of Rs. 125.

The Malia dispensary is under the supervision of the Agency Surgeon who pays annual visits of inspection.

Sanitary arrangements are introduced as far as funds will allow. The Vaccination arrangements are in the hands of the Agency Surgeon. The Agency vaccinator pays regular visits in turn to the villages of this State.

Appendix XXIII will show the amount of medical aid afforded to the people.

Strict measures have been adopted as to the right registration of births and deaths.

Appendix XXIV will show that the figures are in decrease as compared with the figures of the year previous to the one under report. As this work is entrusted to the village police patel and to Police at Malia which they do along with their other duties, no extra expense is incurred under this head beyond that of keeping separate records.

Very few plague cases occurred in March 1905 at the villages of Rasingpur and Nawagam in the State but it soon subsided owing to the prompt measures adopted with regard to segregation and disinfection.

CHAPTER VII.

Education.

Appendix XXV will show the number of boys and girls' schools in the State. Both at Malia and Khakhrechi English education is imparted upto Standard III besides vernacular upto Standard VII. Mianas are encouraged to send their boys to school, being given books and slates free of charge. 15 Miana boys are receiving their education. The progress made by girls in towns like Malia and Khakhrechi can be viewed with satisfaction.

The aggregate cost of education amounts to Rs. 2131-1-2 besides Rs. 246 paid for inspection charges. A fund has been raised in the name of Mrs. O'Donnell from the interest of which and from the amount provided for prizes in the budget, an annual prize distribution to the boys and girls is made.

CHAPTER VIII.

Miscellaneous.

There is one Library at Malia maintained at the expense of the State and one at Khakhrechi maintained by private subscription. Thakor Shri Modji has shown his readiness to help the Khakhrechi Library from his private purse as an encouragement to the people.

There is no printing press at Malia.

The three escaped Miana convicts from the Petlad Jail are still at large. The Miana Regulations have worked well and Mianas have begun to understand their responsibilities.

It goes without saying that the cost of administration is increased by reason of the Miana community who are part of the population of the Malia Taluka and on whose account certain establishments and higher paid officials have to be maintained, also as these Mianas are very needy and improvident a large amount has to be expended in finding work for them in bad years. Their debt to the State might indeed be paid off by handing over an equivalent of their lands in perpetuo to the State but this would not be advisable as it would have the effect of still further increasing the problem of finding work for them.

It has been suggested before now that the more important States of Kathiawar should be asked to seriously consider the employment on regular work in the State of a proportion of these Mianas who have neither land nor

occupation in Malia. So long as an attitude of resentment towards these folk continues we cannot hope to reclaim them as a body to useful and orderly ways of living.

To conclude I may say that my Shirestedar Azam Madhavji Bhanji continues to work steadily and has some years' experience in this office and my English clerk Mr. Munshi gives satisfaction. Azam Jiwanlal N. the Thandar has a good grasp of the politics of Malia and is an efficient Officer. Mr. Naranjl Nandlal who was appointed Chief Constable on the re-organization of the Malia Police and who a few months ago resigned on obtaining a post at Cambay was a very zealous disciplinarian and perhaps a little too impulsive. He has been succeeded as already mentioned by Merubha Kaliansinghji about whom it is yet too premature to say more than that he seems to be working quietly and harmoniously in his new post.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your most obidient servant

W. Beale MAJOR,

Political Agent-Malia.

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APPENDIX I.

Name of high officials in the Malia State and Residency officials showing changes in personel during the year 1905-06.

Name of officer.	Appointment.	Period.		Remarks.
		From.	To.	
Major W. Beale.	Political Agent and manager Malia State.	1st April 1905.	31st March 1906.	
Mr. Kanji Chatur.	Acting Thandar.	Do.	23rd April 1905.	The permanent incumbent having been on 3 months privilege leave.
Jiwanlal Harjiwandas.	Permanent Incumbent.	23rd April 1905.	31st March 1906.	

RAJKOT,
2 July 1906.

W. BEALE MAJOR.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX II.

List of Laws in force in the Malia State.

Description.	Whether adopted from British Indian Acts.	Introduced during the year under report.	Remarks.
Civil & Criminal.	British Indian Acts adopted in toto.		
Limitation.	Agency Regulations.	Since Management.	
Registration Rules & Stamp Rules.	Adopted for the State, but in the spirit of the British Laws.		
Rules for the better control of the Mianas.		Indroduced in May 1904.	

RAJKOT,
July 1906.

W. BEALE MAJOR.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX III.

Statement showing the strength, cost, and other particulars to the Military Force in the Malia State 1905—1906.

Arm of service	Number of fighting officers & men						Details of force at the end of the current year.						Total cost on account of pay & allowances of the force, including followers.	Remarks.
	At the end of last year.	Recruited this year.	Casualities.			At the end of the current year.	Number of Regiments Battalions or Batteries.	Number of guns.	Number of men.					
			Died.	Invalided.	Discharged deserted, &c.				European commissioned officer.	Native commissioned officers.	Non-commissioned officers.	Fighting men.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
Cavalry.....														
Sappers.....														
Artillery														
Infantry														
Imperial Service Troops...	...	...	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	
Total.....														

RAJKOT,
2• July 1906.

W. BEALE Major.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX IV.

Statement showing the strength, cost, discipline, and education of the Police, for the year 1905—1906.

Description of office.	Number.	Pay of Grade.	Total cost.	Punishment.			Revards.		Education.		Remarks.
				Dismissed.	Fined degraded, or suspended Departmentaly.	Punished Judicially	By Promotion.	By Money.	Number able to read & write.	Number under instruction.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Fouzdars or Chief Constable.	1	60 + 10 of Per T. A.	70			...			1	...	
Naiques.	3	13	39			...			1	2	
Lance Naiques.	4	11	44			1			1	1	
Constable 1st class.	4	10	40			...			1	3	
Constable 2nd class.	7	9	63			1			..	6	
Do. 3rd class.	14	8	112			1			4	6	
Mounted Police.											
Jamadar.	1	25+20 H.A.	45			...			1	...	
Sowars at Rs. 29 each.	3	29	87			...			....	3	
Do. at 28 Do.	6	28	168			...			3	3	
Camel Sowars at Rs. 23 each.	2	23	46			...			....	1	
at Rs. 22 each.	2	22	44			...			2	...	
Total ..	47		9098 yearly cost.			3			14	25	

RAJKOT,
26 July 1906.

W. BEALE . MAJOR.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX V.

Statement showing the working of the Police in the Malia State during the year 1905-06.

State.	Number of offences.		Number of accused arrested.		Number of accused sent for trial.		Number of accused convicted.		Number of accused aquitted or discharged.		Percentage of convictions (columns 4 and 5).		Percentage convicted of accused sent for trial.		Remarks.
	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Malia.	22	78	27	86	27	86	24	68	3	18	88-8	79	88-8	79	

RAJKOT,
20 July 1906.

W. BEALE MAJOR.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX VI.

Statement showing the value of property stolen and amount of recoveries in the Malia State, during the year 1905—1906.

State.	Amount stolen.		Amount recovered.		Percentage of recoveries of property stolen.		Remarks.
	Past. year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Malia.	213—2—3	406—7—9	202—12—3	349—8—6	95—2	85—9	

RAJKOT,
20 July 1906.

W. BEALE MAJOR.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX VII.

Statement showing the Number of crimes committed, number of cases disposed of and cases awaiting trial in the Malia State, during the year 1905-06.

Description of offences.	Number of offences.			Number of cases disposed of during the pase year.	Number of cases disposed of during the present year.	Number of persons apprehended.	Number of persons convicted.	Number of persons sentenced.					Number of persons acquitted or discharged.	Number of persons confined being insane.	Number of persons died during or before trial.	Term of imprisonment.									Awaiting trial. Remarks.
	Balance from past year.	Committed during the year.	Total.					Imprisonment.		Imprisonment and fine.		Fine only.	Whipping.	Total.				Under one month.	From 1 to 2 months.	From 2 to 3 months.	From 3 to 6 months.	From 6 to 12 months.	From 1 to 2 years.	From 2 to 3 years.	From 3 to 5 years.	above 5 years.	Transportation.	Capital punishment.	
								Simple.	Rigorous.	Simple.	Rigorous.																	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
I.P.C. SEC 109/379	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do. 114/379	..	2	2	...	2	3	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	...
Do. 147	...	1	1	...	1	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do. 174	...	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....	1	...	...	...	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...
Do. 186	...	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	...
Do. 188	1	18	19	16	18	22	18	1	2	1	...	14	...	18	3	...	...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Do. 206	...	2	2	...	2	3	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do. 224	...	1	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	...

Do.	225	...	1	1	...	1	3	3	...	...	...	...	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...							...
Do.	323	...	19	19	12	19	34	2	...	1	...	...	1	...	2	32	...	...	...	...	....	...	1	...							...
Do.	324	...	3	3	1	3	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	....	...	...	...	...	...							...
Do.	325	...	1	1	....	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...							...
Do.	326	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...							...
Do.	335	...	2	2	1	2	2	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...							..
Do.	342	...	1	1	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	2	...	...	....	..	...	...	...	...							..
Do.	352	...	1	1	2	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...							...
Do.	363	...	1	1	...	1	2	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2							...
Do.	379	...	38	38	8	38	58	39	3	15	...	10	8	3	39	19	...	...	20	2	5	1	...	...							...
Do.	380	...	4	4	3	4	4	3	...	...	...	3	...	...	3	1	...	...	2	...	...	1	...	...							...
Do.	381	...	1	1	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...							...
Do.	403	...	2	2	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...							..
Do.	406	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...							...
Do.	411	...	2	2	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...							...
Do.	414	...	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...							...
Do.	417	...	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...							1
Do.	428	...	...	...	1	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	....							...
Do.	447	...	3	3	9	3	3	2	...	1	...	1	...	...	2	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...							..
Do.	454	....	1	1	...	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...							..
Do.	457	...	1	1	...	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...							..
Do.	497, 498	...	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...							...
Do.	498	...	4	4	...	4	4	3	...	1	...	2	...	...	3	1	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...							...
Do.	504	...	1	1	1	1	3	...	...	....	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	....	...	...	...							...
Do.	379 511	...	1	1	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	....	...	...	...							...
ACT NO. 4 of 1887	Sec. 4	...	1	1	...	1	1	1	...	...	....	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...							...
Do.	Sec. 5	...	1	1	...	1	12	10	...	...	...	...	10	...	10	2	...	...	...	...	....	...	...	...							...
Kat. Arms Act	Sec. 23 (f)	...	1	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...							...
Notification No. 4 of 23-104		...	46	46	5	46	53	47	...	9	...	8	27	3	47	6	...	...	8	8	...	...	...	...							...
Khakbrechi	323	...	2	2	...	2	2	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	....	...	...							...
	379	...	1	1	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...							...
	380	...	1	1	...	1	1	1	...	....	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...							...
Total...		1	169	170	67	168	246	142	4	34	1	30	67	6	142	102	...	...	36	16	11	3	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	...

RAJKOT,
1st July 1906.

W. BEALE Major.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX VIII.

Statement showing the number of offences reported & dealt with by the various courts in the Malia State during the year 1905—06.

Name of Court.	Number of offences reported during the year.		Number of Persons dealt of with.								Persons disposed of.					Persons remaining at end of year.	Remarks.
			Remaining at the end of last year.	Brought to trial in 1905-06					Total.		Discharged without trial.	Aquitted.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped or transferred.		
	Past year.	Presentyear		Arrested by Police.	Upon Warrant.	On Summons.	Voluntary.	Arrested in the presence of the magistrate	Past year.	Presentyear							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Malia Thana Court.	66	165	1	86	15	69	71		102	242	30	70	135	5		2	×
Khakhrechi Vahiwatdar's Court.	8	4			2	2			14	4		1	3				× Cases disposed by the Third class Magistrate and the Honorary Magistrate are included.
Total...	74	169	1	86	17	71	71		116	246	30	71	138	5		2	

RAJKOT,
July 1906.

W. BEALE MAJOR.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX IX.

Statement showing the results of appeals against decisions passed by the Criminal Courts in the Malia State, during the year 1905—06.

Tribunals.	Number of applications.	Number of Persons & cases.																
		Applications Rejected.		Sentences.						Proceedings. quashed.		Referred.		Further enquiry &c., ordered.		Pending.		Remarks.
				Confirmed.		Modified.		Reversed.										
		Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

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3 , July 1906.

W. BEALE Major.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX X.

Civil work—Nature & value of original suits filed and disposed of in the Limits of Malia State during the year 1905—06.

Tribunal.	Opening Balance		Filed during the year, received by transfer or on remand.		Total		Disposed of during the year.		Closing Balance		Suits filed during pesent year.									Suits dispossd of during present year.						Remarks.
	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Value.	Suits regarding landed property.	Suits for money transaction	Suits for other rights	Number of suits under Rs. 100	Number of suits above Rs 100 & under Rs. 500	Number of suits above Rs 500 & under Rs. 1000	Number of suits above Rs. 1000 & under Rs. 5000	Number of suits above Rs. 5000	Exparte	Admitted & compromised.	Struck of the file	Otherwise disposed of	Value.	Average duration	
Malia Thana Court.	12	10	37	18	49	28	39	23	10	5	2302	2	15	1	12	1	1	1	...	1	10	1	11	3167	Y.m.d. 0-10-3	
Khakhrechi Vahiwatdar's Court.	5	2	6	5	11	7	9	6	2	1	240	...	5	..	4	1	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	270	0-10-3	
Total...	17	12	43	23	60	35	48	29	12	6	2542	2	20	1	16	2	1	1	...	1	16	1	11	3437	0-8-0	

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4 July 1906.

W. BEALE MAJOR.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX XI.

Civil work—Result of applications for execution of decrees.

Tribunal.	Opening balance.		Value of opening balance for present year.	Applications brought to the Register.			Total.			Disposed of.			Closing balance.			Nature of applications pending disposal at the close of.			Remarks.
	Past year.	Present year.		Past year.	Present year.	Value for present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Value for present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Value for present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Value for present year.	Below 6 months.	Below 12 months.	Below 12 months.	
Malia Thana Court.	14	5	1421	12	19	2819	26	24	4240	21	20	3416	5	4	824	3	...	1	
Khakbrechi Vahiwatdar's Court.	3	4	106	4	10	317	7	14	423	5	11	266	2	3	157	3	....	...	
Total...	17	9	1527	16	29	3134	33	38	4663	26	31	3682	7	7	981	6	...	1	

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25 July 1906.

W. BEALE MAJOR.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX XII.

Civil work—Number and results of appeals in civil suits.

Tribunal.	Opening Balance.		Filed during.		Total.		Disposed of during		Closing Balance.		Value of appeals filed during.		How disposed of										Average duration.	
													Decisions confirmed		Decisions reversed.		Decisions amended.		Cases remended for retrial		Cases compromised & otherwise disposed of.			
	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.
Political Agent Malia.	2	1	2	1	4	2	3	2	1	...	275	225	...	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	2-5-14	1-4-9

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1st July 1906.

W. BEALE MAJOR.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX XIII.

Statement showing the Number of persons confined in the Jails and Lock up in the Malia State during the year 1905-06.

Stations.	No. of Prisons.	No. of Prisoners.				Daily Average.		Number of prisoners remaining at the end of the year.	Total cost Jail & prisoners.	Average period of accused under trial.	Remarks showing mortality among convicts in Jail.
		Remaining from last year.	Admitted during the year.	Total. Past year.	Total. Present year.	Past year.	Present year.				
Malia.	1	4	72	40	76	1-50	6-15	10	584	9-55 days.	None Prisoner's conduct good.

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1st July 1906.

W. BEALE MAJOR.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX XIV.

Registration of documents in the Malia State.

Name of State.	Documents presented for Registration		Nature of documents presented.										Documents registered.		Value of documents registered.		Documents of whichregistery has been refused.		Documents remaining unregistered pending enquiry at the close of theyear		Remarks.
			Mortgages.		Sale deeds.		Will.		Money-bonds.		Miscellaneous.										
	Past year.	Present year	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	16	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Malia.	29	51	26	45	2	2	...	...	...	...	1	4	29	51	16012-4-0	14003	...	...	...	...	...

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1 July 1906.

W. BEALE MAJOR.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX XV.

Statement showing the receipts & expenditure on account of Registration during the year 1905—06.

Description.	Past year.						Present year.						Remarks.
	Number of deeds	Value of property			Fees realised.		Number of deeds.	Value of Property.			Fees Realised.		
Mortgages.	26	12387	4	...	80	8 ...	45	10563	...	...	85	8 ...	No expenditure is incurred
Sale deeds.	2	3025	...	...	16	8 ...	2	145	...	...	2	... ...	in this behalf.
Wills.	...	...	...	...	...	... ...	...	...	...	...	...	... ...	
Money bonds.	...	...	...	...	...	... ...	...	...	...	...	...	... ...	
Miscellaneous.	1	600	...	...	3	8 ...	4	3295	...	...	23	8 ...	
Total...	29	16012	4		100	8	51	14003			111	...	
Deduct expenditure...													
Net profit...													

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W. BEALE MAJOR.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX XVI.

Receipts and expenditure of the Municipalities in the Malia State during the year 1905—06.

Name.	Opening Balance on 1st April. 1905.	Receipts during the year.		Total in current year.	Expenditure during the year		Balance on the 31st March	Remarks.
		Past.	Present.		Past.	Present.		
Malia.	...	...	...	...	889	880	...	

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2 c July 1906.

W. BEALE MAJOR.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX XVII.

Statement of rain fall in the Malia State.

State.	April 190 .	May 1905.	June 1905.	July 1905.	August 1905.	September 1905.	October 1905.	November 1905.	December 1905.	January 1906.	February 1906.	March 1906.	Total.	Total of past year.	Average of past 5 year.	Remarks.
Malia.				24-89	4-67						4-75		26-31	9-81	20-96	

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2nd July 1906.

W. BEALE MAJOR.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX XVIII.

Statement as to prices of staple food grains.

Article.	During March (past year)			During March (present year)			Remarks.
	Mds.	Seer.	Rs.	Mds.	Seer.	Rs.	
Bajri	...	22	20	...	21	10	
Wheat	...	22	...	...	18	...	
Juwar	...	26	...	...	26	...	
Gram	...	23	...	...	19	...	
Tuwer	...	13	19	...	11	10	
Mag	....	23	...	...	16	...	
Adad	...	20	...	...	16	...	
Rice of 1st kind	...	16	...	...	16	...	
Do. 2nd kind	...	20	...	...	18	....	
Do. 3rd kind	...	21	...	...	19	...	

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Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX XIX.

Expenditure on public works, during the year 1905—06.

Description of work.	State funds.			Local Funds.			Totals.	Remarks.
	Original.	Repairs.	Total.	Original.	Repairs.	Total.		
Road repairs.	...	59	59	...	...	...	59	
School building.	...	16	16	...	...	...	16	
Hospital.	...	50	50	...	...	...	50	
All other State buildings.	...	573	573	...	...	...	573	
Total...	...	698	698	...	...	...	698	

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2, July 1906.

W. BEALE MAJOR.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX XX.

Agricultural stock in the Malia State, during the year 1905—06.

District.	Year.	Horses and cattle.									Ploughs.		Carts.		Remarks.
		Bullocks.	Cows.	Buffaloes.		Horses.	Mares.	Colts and fillies.	Asses.	Sheep and Goats.	With two Bullocks.	With four bullocks.	Riding.	Load carrying.	
				Male.	Female.										
Malia.	19056	303	47	14	53	2	...	...	...	...	149	...	...	77	Animals owned by the cultivators only have been shown in the Statement.
Khakhrechi.	...	780	150	58	150	3	10	3	...	2	248	...	...	141	
Total...	...	1083	197	72	203	5	10	3	...	2	397	...	...	218	

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20 July 1906.

W. BEALE MAJOR.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX XXI.

Statement showing the excise shops and excise revenue of the Malia State during the year 1905—06.

Name of State.	Country Spirit.		Opium.		Ganja.		Tari.		Total.		Remarks.
	Number of shops.	Reveune.	Number of shops.	Revenue	Number of shops.	Revenue	Number of shops.	Revenue	Number of shops.	Revenue	
Malia.	1	351	1	562	2	44			4	957	

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26 July 1906.

W. BEALE Major.
Political Agent Malia.

XXII

Malia State.

Statement of Receipts and expenditure for 1904 of the year ending October 1905.

Receipts.						Expenditure.					
	Items.	Rupees.				Items.	Rupees.				
	Opening balance	20342	11	3	1	General administration	10292	7	11		
1	Land revenue	41869	10	6	2	Jail charges	584	6	5		
2	Taxes	5589	10	6	3	Police	15037	13	9		
3	Sayer	12290	0	7	4	Political	1924	2	5		
4	Law and Justice	1058	2	9	5	Bardashi Khata	147	10	7		
5	Education...	126	10	0	6	Education...	2546	12	5		
6	Interest	11208	8	1	7	Forest	98	14	3		
7	Miscellaneous				8	Public Works	4222	4	1		
	(a) Sale of ornaments	0	0	0		(a) Relief works 3424-3-4					
	(b) Other Miscellaneous...	1971	0	2		(b) Other works 798-0-9					
8	Adjustment	17	9	1	9	Darbar charges	34572	8	7		

9	Deposits (a)	1763	4	3	10	Allowances etc.	230	10	4
	Debts (b)	6700	0	0	11	Traveller's Bungalow	0	0	0
10	Refunds of advances &c.	24637	14	9	12	Municipality	879	13	9
	Tagavi 1185-13-11				13	Medical	818	6	1
	Other advances ... 19439—0-4				14	Revenue Survey	301	0	3
	Outstandings... cash 994—0-0				15	Miscellaneous	2175	3	9
	Outstandings... Remissions 3019-0-6				16	Adjustment	585	0	0
11	Loan	19377	0	0	17	Refunds	3549	13	9
12	Refund	17	12	6	18	Debts etc. paid	12849	6	10
					19	Deposit repaid	374	11	4
	§ Total...	146969	14	5	20	Advances and outstandings			
						Tagavi	1738	7	2
						Other advances	19218	10	0
						Outstandings	18498	10	3
						Total... :	130566	13	11
						Closing balance.....	16403	0	6
						Grand Total.....	146969	14	5

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20 July 1906.

W. BEALE MAJOR.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX XXIII.

Statement of Medical Relief afforded in the Malia State during the year 1905—06.

Dispensary.	No. of Patients Treated.		Results of in-door Patients.				Expenditure.	Daily Average.	Remarks.
	Out-door.	In-door.	Discharged.	Absented.	Died.	Remaining under treatment.			
Malia Dispensary.	3419	13	13				Rs. 819	48—6	

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W. BEALE MAJOR.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX XXIV.

Vital statistics of the Malia State for the year 1905—06.

Name.	Population.	Births.		Increase.	Decrease.	Deaths.		Increase.	Decrease.	Ratio per 1000 of Population.				Remarks.
										Births.		Deaths.		
		Past year.	Present year.			Past year.	Present year.			Past year.	Present. year.	Past year.	Present. year.	
Malia.	9076	344	288		56	237	188		49	37-9	31-73	26-11	20-7	

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20 July 1906.

W. BEALE MAJOR.
Political Agent Malia.

APPENDIX XXV.

Particulars as to the schools maintained by the Malia State, for the year 1905-06.

Number of schools.		Description of schools.	Number of pupils on roll on 31st March.		Daily Average Attendance.		Expenditure.			Remarks.
Past year.	Present year.		Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	High School.	Second-ary.	Primary.	
1	1	Malia Composite School.	128	146	112	114-62	...	...	709-2-8	
2	2	Do. Girl School.	53	54	38-3	38	...	...	286-8-6	
3	3	Khakhrechi Ver. School.	82	74	61-3	54 9	...	...	426-0-0	
4	4	Do. Girl School.	29	29	26	26-7	...	...	144-0-0	
5	5	Vadharwa Ver. School.	47	47	44	42	...	...	192-0-0	
6	7	Kumbharia Do.	14	12	13-1	11 5	...	...	150-0-0	
7	7	Nawagam Ver. School.	22	23	21	22-2	...	...	150-0-0	
8	8	Kataria School.	...	...	..	...	...	...	73-6-10	

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July 1906.

W. BEALE MAJOR.
Political Agent Malia.

XXIII

MEMORANDUM OF LIABILITIES AND CLAIMS DEBTS.

1	Debts...	527087
2	Deposits to be refunded	3330
	Total.....	530417

Claims

1	Outstanding dues to be recovered from cultivators &c.	32061
2	Advances recoverable with Tagavi	51227
	Total.....	83288

Net amount of debts	447129

Jiwanlal H.

Malia Thandar.

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No. /93 of 1907.

From,

CAPTAIN H. W. BERTHON,

POLITICAL AGENT,

IN CHARGE MALIA STATE.

To,

THE AGENT TO THE GOVERNOR,

IN KATHIAWAR.

Malia Political Agent's Office.

RAJKOT /c 4 June 1907.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit the Annual Administration Report of the Malia State for the year ending the 31st March 1907.

CHAPTER I.

GENERAL AND POLITICAL.

Statistics.

2. *Area.* ... ... *103 squire miles.*
Population. ... ... *9075.*
Gross Revenue. ... Rs. *94,383.*

Tribute.

3. The State pays an annual tribute of Rs. 1182 to His Highness the Gaekwar, and Rs. 185 to His Highness the Nawab of Junagadh as Zortalbi.

The Chief.

4. *Thakore* Modji Mulvaji the Chief is 61 years of age and a Jadeja Rajput by caste, his only surviving wife Subjiba is a daughter of a Bhayat of the Vadod Taluka in the Jhalawad Prant. He has a natural Son Kumar Shri Raisinghji whose age is

about 41 and who has 3 sons of whom Kumar Shri Gumansighji is the eldest. Kumar Shri Raisinghji's wife is a daughter of the Malvan Bhayat of Dhrangadhra and Kumar Shri Gumansinghji's wife was a daughter of a Bhayat of Muli.

5. The latter lady unfortunately died on the 1st of February 1907.

Important events.

Kumar Shri Raisinghji visited Ahmedabad to consult a doctor as his health was bad, but he derived no benefits from his visit and I regret to say that the State of his health is still far from being satisfactory. Kumar Shri Gumansinghji has continued his revenue work under the Thandar throughout the year and has proved himself to be sure useful than such Honorary Officials usually are. He appears to be possessed of sound common sense and I hope to be able to extend his sphere of usfulness. His brother Kumar Shri Bharatsinghji is still at the Rajkumar College and has made satisfactory progress both in his studies and his health. Major Beale was transfered on the 22nd January 1907 and I was appointed Political Agent in charge of Malia. I visited Malia and Khakrechi in February last on a tour of general inspection.

6. Azam Jivanlal Harjiwandas, the Thandar, was transferred in February and his place was filled by Azam Keshavji Patwari. As I only saw the former for two or three days before his departure and have not yet had sufficient experience of the latter's work I refrain from making any remarks regarding them.

Remarks on Officials.

CHAPTER II.

ADMINISTRATION OF THE LAND.

7. The system of Bhagbatai or levying Vaje in kind and Vero in cash was in force before the Management commenced and has been maintained ever since; but the Kharajat levy was slightly modified by the introduction of the Chokha Bhag system a few years ago. The fixed scale of Rs. 3-4-0 per Santi has produced no complaints, but the cultivators pay willingly and easily.

Revenue land settlement.

8. No waste land was taken up for cultivation during the year, but the Karadia Reclamation Scheme received the necessary attention. The Agency Engineer reports that sufficient silt has already been deposited along the edge of the lake to enable cultivation to be started and also that the salt in the ground is gradually disappearing as is proved by the water in the tank now becoming brackish after a longer period than it did at first.

Waste land.

Alienations.

9. There were no alienations and no boundary settlements during the year under report.

Takavi advances.

10. Only 57 Rupees were advanced as takavi to the Miana cultivators. The year having been a good one the revenue practically fulfilled expectations.

Remissions and suspensions.

11. Rs. 7229 on account of Nazarana for culturable land were suspended owing to the poor result of the Pachtar Crops. Rs. 1491 on account of Chandlo for the marriage of Kumar Shri Gumansinghji were suspended for the same reason.

It was not found necessary to exercise any coercive measures.

CHAPTER III.

LEGISLATION.

Legislation.

12. No new laws have been introduced into the State during the year under report. Those in force are given in Appendix II.

Military.

Military Force.

13. The State possesses no Military forces.

Police and Village Police.

Organization

14. The State possesses a regular force consisting of 16 mounted and 41 foot police, also an irregular city and village police force. They are all independent of the Agency police.

Arms.

15. The regular police are armed with breech and muzzle loading smooth bore carbines and rifles with bayonets for the foot police. The mounted men carry swords in addition to the carbines. The irregular police are armed with weapons of various descriptions such as swords, spears, knives and sometimes guns.

Number and cost.

16. The strength of the forces during the past year was as under:—

16	Mounted.	Regular.
41	Foot.	
56	Irregular.	

and all together they average 1.1 p. c. to the population and 1 per square mile.

The cost was Rs. 14,677 as against Rs. 13,581 in the preceding year. Appendices V, VI and VII show the working of the force.

17. The number of offences shows a satisfactory decrease, but the number of accused arrested shows a large increase; this can be explained by some cases under §§ 323 and 379 having had several people concerned in them (in one case of cotton stealing alone over 30 accused were arrested). The percentage of convictions works out at 54.41 against 79,07 in the preceding year, and this does not speak well for the ability displayed by the police in working up their cases. The percentage of recoveries of stolen property has also fallen off considerably though the amount stolen is very small. The figures read 58.18 p.c. as against 85.96 p. c. and the value of the stolen property Rs. 122 as against Rs. 406. I do not consider that the present Chief Constable has had sufficient experience of police work to enable him to control a force in a place like Malia.

Work done.

18. The village police are used for revenue and chowkidar work, and assist the regular police in criminal investigations. Some of them are paid in cash and some in kind.

Village Police.

Criminal Justice.

Courts of Criminal Justice.

19. The Criminal Courts of the State possess the following powers.

The Political Agent in charge.	Powers of an Assistant Sessions Judge and 1st Class Magistrate.
The Thandar.	2nd Class Magistrate.
The Khakrechi Wahiwatdar.	3rd Class Magistrate.
The Shirestadar to the Thandar.	3rd Class Magistrate.
K. S. Raisinghji.	Honorary 3rd Class Magistrate, but no jurisdiction when Mianas are concerned.

No change has been made during the year either in their number or constitution.

20. Appendix VIII shows a decrease in the number of offences, but an increase in the number of offenders. 130 offences with 283 persons involved in them as against 165 offences and 242. The percentage of persons convicted to those sent up for trial was 36.55 against 56.55, and of those discharged without trial, 58.78 against 12.29.

Work done by Criminal Courts.

21. There is only one Court in the State exercising appellate powers, namely that of the Political Agent, the results for the year are shown in appendix IX.

Appeals.

Civil Justice.

Constitution and number of Civil Courts.

22. The number of Civil Courts remains unchanged, their powers are as under:—

The Political Agent's Court.	Original suits up to Rs. 10,000 and appeals against the Thandar's decisions.
The Thandar's Court.	Suits up to Rs. 5000.
The Khakhrechi Wahiwatdar's Court.	Suits up to Rs. 250.

Suits instituted and disposed of.

23. 33 Suits were filed during the year and 33 were disposed of, leaving 6 in arrears as against 6 last year. The average duration is 5 Months and 5 days. The value also shows a considerable decrease—Only 1 suit related to land. Appendix X furnishes the details.

Execution of decrees.

24. The number of applications for the execution of decrees is almost the same as last year and their average value is also much the same. Appendix XI supplies the details.

Appeals.

25. 3 appeals were filed during the year and 4 disposed of leaving none in arrears. The average duration shows a considerable improvement vide Appendix XII.

Extradition.

25. The State made no demands for extradition and there was only one demand made to the State, by Cutch, in which three offenders were concerned.

Jails.

Buildings.

26. There is only one Jail in Malia, it consists of a row of large cells and answers the requirements of the place. Prisoners whose sentences are over 6 months are sent to the Rajkot Civil Station Jail. The Thandar is the Superintendent.

Prisoners.

27. The number of prisoners shows a slight increase on that of last year, but considering the increase in the number of offenders the number is very small. The average period of detention in custody before trial has fallen from 9.55 to 6.87 days.

Health & conduct.

28. The health and conduct of the prisoners has been good, they are fed according to the prescribed scale and labour is exacted from them. There are no industries, as there is no factory in the Jail.

Expenditure.

29. The expenditure shows an increase of Rs. 27.4 which is due to the increase in the daily average. Appendix XIII furnishes particulars.

Registration.

30. Appendices XIV and XV give full details of registrations during the year. The Thandar is the registering officer of documents up to Rs. 3000 in value and above that this office registers. There is a considerable decrease in the number of documents registered, but an increase in their average value. The number of mortgages has also considerably decreased.

Municipality.

31. There are no Municipal taxes of any kind, but the Streets of Malia are lighted and cleaned at the expense of the State. A peon is employed to supervise sanitation under the control of the Thandar. Kumar Shri Gumansinghji has been attached to the Thandar in connection with these duties. Arrangements for improving the sanitary condition of Malia town are under consideration.

Appendix XVI shows the expenditure incurred under this head.

CHAPTER IV.

PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION.

Weather and Crops.(a)

32. The total registered rain fall was 16.15 as against 26.31 last year. The average for the last 5 years comes to 20.23. Although this year's rainfall was below the average yet it was so timely and so well distributed that it produced abundant Agtar Crops and also a good Pachtar cotton crop. But as the same condition prevailed all over the province the rates of cereals and cotton fell, consequently the State has not realized as much as it had expected to do from the sale of its Vaje share. The income derived from this source therefore amounts to 12 as and not 14as. as estimated in the budget. This deficit however is compensated for by the fact that the people are in possession of good stores of grain. Appendix XVII shows the rainfall.

Wages & Labour (b).

33. As there was plenty of food about the poorer labouring classes were not as anxious as usual to obtain work, while, on the other hand, the farmers had to seek assistance in harvesting the crops. The result was higher wages had to be paid for labour. The staple food grains of the district were in some instances nearly 50 per cent cheaper than they were last March. Appendix XVIII shows the rates in detail.

Forest (c).

34. There is not a forest in the State.

Trade and Manufactures (d).

35. There are no local industries and no factories in the State. The only trade is in cereals and cotton.

Public Works (e).

36. The State does not possess a regular Public Works Department. Minor repairs are carried out locally under the supervision of the Thandar, who has a permanent Karkun employed under him on 9 Rs. p. m. to assist in this work. Last year Rs. 1147 were spent on repairs to State buildings, as described in appendix XIX. Unfortunately the local artizans are indifferent workmen and it is very difficult to induce a skilled contractor to carry out repairs there, both on account of the remoteness of the place and the smallness of the contracts.

Post Offices (f).

37. There are only 2 Post Offices in the State, one at Malia, and the other at Khakrechi. Malia itself is connected by telegraph with Morvi.

Mint (g).

38. There is no mint in the State.

General condition of state and people (h).

39. The year was on the whole favourable to both the State and the people. The State is situated badly as far as its finances are concerned as it is heavily encumbered with debts, but it is in a better condition than it was in the preceding year. The circumstances of the people during the year shows an improvement, for with an abundance of grain and high wages their state for the time being must be good, but their condition with respect to property can not be called good yet. Three or four consecutive years of prosperity must occur before debts can disappear and worldly goods, such as cattle and ornaments, begin to accumulate again. Debts are not confined to the State alone, many of the subjects have to bear the same burden. The public health remained fair throughout the year, but on the whole the vitality of the people shows an improvement. The agricultural stock return shows what wonderful powers of recuperation both it and the people have if they are given favourable conditions. Details are given in appendix XX, and it is principally these statistics that induce me to say that only 3 or 4 prosperous years are necessary to restore the people to their former condition. The consumption of liquor increased slightly as can be seen from the figures in appendix XXI, but I do not consider it to have been in any way excessive.

CHAPTER V.

REVENUE AND FINANCE.

40. The gross total revenue amounts to Rs. 1,31,391 as compared

Gross Revenue.

with Rs. 1,46, 969 for the previous year, but that years' revenue contained a Government loan of Rs. 19,377 and the remission of Government interest amounting to Rs. 11,208, which together make a total of Rs. 30,585, and it also had a large opening balance of Rs. 27,042 as against an opening balance of Rs. 16,403 this year, therefore the revenue for this year shows an improvement on that of last year to the extent of about Rs. 30,000. The chief increases occur under land revenue and sayer.

Recovery of arrears.

41. The amount of actual arrears recovered during the year, including Tagavi, advances and outstandings was Rs. 18,640 and it is hoped that Rs. 28,900 will be recovered during the next year.

Details of indebtedness.

42. The following figures show the details of the indebtedness of the State on the 31st March 1907.

1.	Government loan raised during St. 1956-58.	Rs. 1,81,917.
2.	Famine Fund loan.	Rs. 2,13,081.
3.	Debt decreed under the Encumbered Estates Rules to traders.	Rs. 50,051.
4.	Debt due to the Cutch State incurred by the Darbar.	Rs. 66,476.
5.	Wawania Port Trust Fund to be paid to the Cutch State.	Rs. 17,500.
		Total Rs. 5,29,025

These figures represent principals only—During the year under report Rs. 26,000 have been paid towards the Government loan leaving that amount as shown above and clear of arrears of interest. Rs. 2562 were also paid towards the Cutch loan, but there were arrears of interest, the principal therefore remains untouched and arrears of interest of an approximate sum of Rs. 1623 remain due up to the end of 31st March 1907. Interest has also fallen due, and is still unpaid, on the Famine Fund loan and amounts to a sum of Rs. 10,654 due on the 31st March 1907, and a further item of interest on the Wawania Port Trust Fund loan amounting approximately to Rs. 6,087 is also due on the same date. I find that the interest on this latter loan has never yet been brought into the accounts although the loan was raised in 1899-1900.

Therefore there is a further debt of Rs. 18,364 due from the State on account of unpaid interest. If this is now included in the total of principals

the whole amount due is Rs. 5,47,389. But it should be noted here that out of the realizations of St. 1963 (Nov, 1906—October 1907). Rs. 41,000 have been paid since the close of the official year under report towards the Government loan and it is hoped that a sum of Rs. 4000 will be available for the interest and arrears on the Cutch State loan. Though the total of principals for the year under report shows the substantial reduction of about Rs. 25,000 and though, if all goes well, the next year's total will show a still more substantial reduction I think it is right to point out that the budget of 1907-8 will have to devote all its superfluous cash towards the payment of accumulated arrears of interest which, including what will then have fallen due, will amount, according to a rough estimate, to a little over Rs. 34,000. I do not consider that it will require 40 years to free the State from debt. Assuming it can set apart Rs. 30,000 a year towards the liquidation of its debts it should be clear in about 25 years, but I see no reason why a larger sum should not be devoted towards this purpose if the years are prosperous.

CHAPTER VI.

VITAL STATISTICS.

Hospital & Dispensaries.

43. There is only one dispensary in the State, at Malia, in charge of an Hospital Assistant and under the Supervision of the Agency Surgeon who inspects its annually;—

A native Vaid is also paid for by the State, he lives at Khakrechi where the Thakore resides for the greater part of the year.

Sanitation.

44. The funds available for improvements under this head are very limited, and there is considerable room for improvement. As stated in para 31 above arrangements are under consideration.

Vaccination.

45. The vaccination is in the hands of the Agency Surgeon and an Agency vaccinator visits the State regularly.

Medical Aid.

46. The number of patients treated during the year under report shows an increase of over 500, this may be attributed partly to the curious unseasonable winter and partly to the growing popularity of the Hospital Assistant. The most common diseases in the State are Malarial fever, and skin and eye diseases. Appendix XXIII shows the amount of Medical Relief afforded.

Births & Deaths.

48. The number of births increased by 72 and the number of deaths by 45. The births show an increase of 7.91 and the deaths an increase of 4.97 per mille over the figures of last

year, therefore it may safely be said that the vitality of the people shows an improvement. The registration of births shows that more careful attention has been paid to these duties. No expenses are incurred under this head beyond the cost of the records.

There were no epidemics in the State during the year under report and no cases of plague.

Appendix XXIV shows the birth and death rates.

CHAPTER VII.

EDUCATION.

Schools & Attendance.

49. Appendix XXV shows the progress of Education in the State during the year under report. The number of Schools remained the same. The number of pupils shows a decrease on that of last year, but this can be accounted for by the heavy crops and scarcity of labour, which made it necessary for parents to employ their children in the fields. The number of Miana boys receiving education remained the same as last year, 15 only, inspite of the fact that the Mianas are encouraged to send their children to be educated.

Education is imparted up to standard III in English and standard VII in the vernacular.

The Malia and Khakrechi Schools were inspected by the Agency Educational Inspector.

Receipts and Expenditure.

50. Rs. 118 were received on account of School fees and the expenditure incurred amounted to Rs. 2149-8 besides Rs. 246 for inspection charges, which shows the aggregate cost of education to be Rs. 2277-8-0 or a little over Rs. 6-8-0 per pupil.

CHAPTER VIII.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Libraries.

51. There is a small library at Malia maintained by the State, and another small one at Khakrechi maintained by public subscription.

Printing Press.

52. The State does not possess a printing press.

53. In conclusion I would remark that the Mianas have on the whole behaved themselves well during the year under report—My visit to Malia in

February was the first occasion on which I have come into contact with them therefore I am not in a position to give any decisive opinion but I have been watching them closely and the only possible means by which they may be reclaimed appears to me to be to persuade them to have their children educated, and as an experiment I have asked the Agency Education Inspector to send a Mahomedan School-master to Malia. The Miana men do not understand discipline and consequently at any great distance from their honour (to which they are devoted) require very careful and strict handling when in numbers. It is this and their record that makes the other Native States in the Province shy of employing their services.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

H. W. Berthon CAPTAIN.

Political Agent in charge Malia.

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APPENDIX I.

Names of high officials in the Malia State and Residency officials showing changes in personnel during the year 1906-07.

Name of Officer.	Appointment.	Period.		Remarks.
		From.	To.	
Major W. Beale.	Political Agent and Manager Malia State.	1st April 1906.	22nd January 07.	Major W. Beale having been transfered to the Gohelwad Prant Captain H. W. Berthon was appointed in his stead.
Captain H. W. Berthon.	—Do—	23rd January 07.	31st March 07.	
Azam Jiwanlal Harjiwandas Nanavaty.	Thandar Malia	1st April 1906.	12th February 1907.	The transfer of the Malia Thandar and the Jhinjhuwada Kamdar was made by the Agent to the Governor's office order No. 8 dated 30th January 1907.
Azam Keshavji Jasraj Patwari.	—Do—	13th February 1907.	31st March 1907.	

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Political Agent, Malia.

APPENDIX II.

List of Laws in force in the Malia State.

Description.	Whether adopted from British Indian Acts.	Introduced during year under report.	Remarks.
Civil & Criminal.	British Indian Acts adopted in toto.		
Limitation.	Agency Regulations.		
Registration Rules & Stamp Rules.	Adopted for the State, but in the spirit of the British Laws.		
Rules for the better control of the Mianas.		Introduced in May 1904	

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APPENDIX III.

Statement showing the strength cost and other particulars of the Military Force in the Malia State for 1906-1907.

Arm of service.	Number of fighting officers and men.						Details of force at end of the current year.						Total cost on account of pay and allowances of the force including followers.	Remarks.
	At the end of last year.	Recruited this year.	Casualties.			At the end of the current year.	Number of Regiments Battalions or Batteries	Number of guns.	Number of men.					
			Died.	Invalided.	Discharged deserted &c.				European commissioned officer.	Native commissioned officer.	Non-commissioned officer.	Fighting men.		
1.	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Cavalry	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Sappers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Artillery	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Infantry	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Imperial service troops...	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	

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APPENDIX IV.

Statement showing the strength, cost, discipline, education of the Police force for the year 1906-07.

Description of office.	Number.	Pay of grade.	Total cost.	Punishments.			Rewards.		Education.		Remark.
				Dismissed	Fined degraded, or suspended departmentally.	Punished judicially	By promotion.	By money.	Number able to read and write.	Number under instruction.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Foujdar or Chief Constable.	1	60+10P.T.A.	70×12=840	...	...	..	...	...	1	...	
Mounted Jamadar	1	25+20 H. A.	45×12=540	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	
Naiques.	2	13	26×12=312	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Do.	2	12	24×12=288	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Lance Naiques	3	11	33×12=396	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	
1st class constables.	4	10	40×12=480	...	....	...	....	...	1	3	
2nd Do.	7	9	63×12=756	...	...	...	...	...	1	6	
3rd Do.	14	8	112×12=1344	...	...	...	...	...	6	8	
2nd class sowars.	3	29	87×12=1044	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	
3rd. Do. Do.	6	28	168×12=2016	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	
Camel Sowars.	2	23	46×12=552	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
Do.	2	22	44×12=528	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	
Total.	47	280	788×12=9096	...	...	...	...	...	16	27	

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APPENDIX V.

Statement showing the working of the police in the Malia State during the year 1906-07

State.	Number of offences.		Number of accused arrested.		Number of accused sent for trial.		Number of accused convicted.		Number of accused acquitted or discharged.		Percentage of convictions (columns 3 & 5)		Percentage convicted of accused sent for trial. (columns 4 & 5)		Remarks.
	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
Malia.	78	61	86	136	86	136	68	74	18	62	79-07	54-41	79-07	54-41	

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APPENDIX VI.

Statement showing the value of property stolen and amount of Recoveries in the Malia State during the year 1906-07.

State.	Amount stolen.		Amount recovered.		Percentage of recoveries of property stolen.		Remarks.
	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Malia.	406-7-9	122-12-6	349-8-6	71-7-1	85-96	58-18	

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Political Agent, Malia.

APPENDIX VII.

Statement showing the number of crimes committed, number of cases disposed of, and cases awaiting trial in the Malia State during the year 1906-07.

Description of offences.	Number of offences.			Number of cases disposed of during the past year.	Number of cases disposed of during the present year.	Number of persons apprehended.	Number of persons convicted.	Number of persons sentenced.						Number of persons acquitted or discharged.	Number of persons confined being insane.	Number of persons died during or before trial.	Term of imprisonment.									Awaiting trial.	Remarks.
	Balance from past year.	Committed during the present year.	Total.					Imprisonment.		Imprisonment and fine.		Fine only.	Whipping.	Total.			Under one month.	From 1 to 2 months	From 2 to 3 months.	From 3 to 6 months.	From 6 to 12 months.	From 1 to 2 years.	From 2 to 3 years.	From 3 to 5 years.	Above 5 years.	Transportation.	Capital punishment.		
								Simple.	Rigorous.	Simple.	Rigorous.																		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
I.P.C.SEC 109																														
379	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 147	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 174	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 186	...	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 188	1	18	19	18	19	29	18	5	...	2	...	11	...	18	11	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 206	...	1	1	2	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 206																														
188	...	1	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...

„ 224	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 225	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 279	...	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 302	...	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 302/109	...	1	1	...		4	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 309	...	1	1	..	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 323	...	17	17	19	17	45	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	2	43	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
323-324	...	1	1	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
323-352	...	1	1	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
323-504	...	2	2	...	1	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...
„ 324	...	3	3	3	3	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 325	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 326	...	1	1	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...
„ 335	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 342	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 352	...	2	2	1	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 352/504	...	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 353	...	1	1	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
„ 363	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ 379	...	22	22	38	22	71	25	1	4	...	8	2	10	25	46	...	...	12	2	...	...	...	...

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APPENDIX VIII.

Statement showing the number of offences reported and dealt with by the various courts in the Malia State during the year 1906-07.

Name of Courts.	Number of offences reported during the year.		Number of persons dealt with.								Persons disposed of					Persons remaining at end of year.	Remarks.
			Remaining at the end of last year.	Brought to trial in 1906-07.					Total		Discharged without trial.	Acquitted.	Convicted.	Committed or referred	Died, escaped, or transferred.		
	Past year.	Present year		Arrested by Police.	Upon warrant.	On summons.	Voluntary.	Arrested in presence of the magistrate.	Past year.	Present year.							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
1 Assistant Sessions Judge.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
2 Political Agent's Court.	...	3	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	6	2	...	...	...	
3 Malia Thana Court.	165	130	2	147	56	63	...	15	242	283	164	7	95	1	...	16	
4 Khakhrechi.	4	1	...	5	...	...	...	...	4	5	...	...	5	...	...	...	
Total.	169	134	2	160	56	63	...	15	246	296	164	13	102	1	...	16	

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H. W. Berthon, Captain

Political Agent, Malia.

APPENDIX IX.

Statement showing the results of appeals against decisions passed by the Criminal Courts in the Malia State during the year 1906–1907.

Tribunals.	Number of applications.	Number of persons and cases.																		Remarks.
		Applications rejected.		Sentences.						Proceedings quashed.		Referred.		Further enquiry &c, ordered.		Pending.				
				Confirmed.		Modified.		Reversed.												
		Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	
Political Agent Malia.	2	...	...	...	...	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	

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Political Agent, Malia.

APPENDIX X.

Civil Work-Nature and value of original suits filed and disposed of in the Courts of Malia State for the year 1906-1907.

Tribunal.	Opening balance.		Filed during the year received by transfer or on remand.		Total.		Disposed of during the year.		Closing balance.		Suits filed during present year.									Suits disposed of during present year.						Remarks.
	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Value.	Suits regarding landed property.	Suits for money transactions.	Suits for other rights.	Number of Suits under Rs 100.	Number of suits above Rs 100 & under Rs 500.	Number of suits above Rs 500 & under Rs 1,000.	Number of suits above Rs 1,000 & under Rs 5,000	Number of suits above Rs 5,000	Exparte.	Admitted and compromised.	Struck off the file.	Otherwise disposed of.	Value.	Average duration.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Politial Agent's Court.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Malia Thana Court.	10	5	18	28	28	33	23	29	5	4	2968	1	24	3	20	2	1	1	...	...	11	4	14	1401	109 days	
Khakhrechi Vahiwatdar's Court.	2	1	5	5	7	6	6	4	1	2	182	...	5	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	133	201 days	
Total	12	6	23	33	35	39	29	33	6	6	3150	1	29	3	25	2	1	1	...	...	15	4	14	1534	5 Months & 5 days	

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APPENDIX XI.

Civil Work-Results of applications for execution of decrees in Malia State for 1906—07.

Tribunal.	Opening Balance.		Value of opening balance for present year.	Applications brought to the register.			Total.			Disposed of			Closing balance.			Nature of applications pending disposal at the close of 1906—07.			Remarks.
	Past year	Present year.		Past year.	Present year.	Value for present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Value for present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Value for present ydar.	Past year.	Present year	Value for present year.	Below 6 months.	Below 12 months.	Above 12 months.	
Malia Thana Court.	5	4	824	19	26	3009	24	30	3833	20	22	999	4	8	2834	7	1	...	
Khakbrechi Vahiwatdar's Court.	4	3	157	10	2	115	14	5	272	11	4	175	3	1	97	1	...	...	

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APPENDIX XII.

Civil Work—Number and results of appeals in civil suits of the Court of the Political Agent Malia for 1906—07.

Tribunals.	Opening balance.		Filed during 1906-07.		Total.		Disposed of during 1906-07.		Closing balance.		Value of appeals filed during 1906-07.		How disposed of.										Average duration.	
													Decisions confirmed		Decisions reversed.		Decisions amended		Cases remanded for retrial		Cases compromised & otherwise disposed of.			
	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Prst year.	Present yeor.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.
																							y.m.d.	y. m. d.
Political Agent Malia.	...	...	1	3	1	3	1	3	...	...	225	626-8-0	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	1-4-9	0-8-6

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APPENDIX XIII.

Statement showing the number of persons confined in the Jails and lock-ups in the Malia State during the year 1906-07.

Stations.	No. of prisons.	No. of prisoners				Daily average		Number of prisoners remaining at the end of the year.	Total cost of Jail and prisoners.	Average period of accused under trial.	Remarks showing mortality among convicts in Jail.
		Remaining from last year.	Admitted during the year.	Total.		Past year	Present year.				
				Past year.	Present year.						
Malia.	1	10	64	76	74	6-15	11-4	8	858	6-87 days	None.

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APPENDIX XIV.

Registration of documents in the Malia State for 1906—07.

Name of State.	Documents presented for registration.		Nature of documents presented.										Documents registered.		Value of documents registered.		Documents of which registry has been refused.		Documents remaining unregistered pending enquiry at the close of the year.		Remarks.
			Mortgages.		Sale deeds.		Wills.		Money bonds.		Miscellaneous.										
	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Malia.	51	24	45	21	2	1	...	1	...	...	4	1	51	24	14003	13813	...	...	...	...	...

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APPENDIX XV.

Statement showing the receipts and expenditure on account of Registration during the year 1906–07.

Description.	Past year.			Present year.			Remarks.
	Number of deeds.	Value of property.	Fees realized.	Number of deeds.	Value of property.	Fees realized.	
Mortgages.	45	10563	85 8	21	12663	79 8	
Sale deeds.	2	145	2	1	200	1 8	
Wills.	...	...	...	1	500	3	No expenditure is incurred in this behalf.
Money bonds.	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Miscellaneous.	4	3295	23 8	1	450	3	
Total.—	51	14003	111	24	13813	87	
Deduct expenditure....	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Net profit. ...	51	14003	111	24	13813	87	

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APPENDIX XVI.

Receipts and expenditure of the Municipalities in the Malia State during year 1906—07.

Name.	Opening balance on 1st April.	Receipts during the year.		Total in current year.	Expenditure during the year.		Balance on the 31st March.	Remarks.
		Past.	Present.		Past.	Present.		
Malia.	...	...	...	...	880	1043	...	

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APPENDIX XVII.

Statement of rain fall in the Malia State for 1906—07.

State.	April 1906.	May 1906.	June 1906.	July 1906.	August 1906.	September 1906.	October 1906.	November 1906.	December 1906.	January 1907..	February 1907.	March 1907.	Total.	Total of past year.	Average of past 5 years.	Remarks.
Malia	...	...	I. C. 4-36	I. C. 4-69	1. C. 4-88	C. -68	C. -69	...	...	...	C. -85	...	I. C. 16-15	I. C. 26-31	I. C. 20-23	

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APPENDIX XVIII.

Statement as to prices of staple food grains.

Articles.	During March (past year). per Rupee.			During March (present year.) per Rupee.			Remarks.
	Mds.	Seer.	T.	Mds.	Seer.	T.	
Bajri.	...	21	10	...	38	...	
Wheat.	...	18	...	...	22	...	
Jowar.	...	26	...	1	5	...	
Gram.	...	19	...	...	23	...	1 maund=40 pounds
Tuwar.	...	11	10	...	10	10	
Mag.	...	16	...	...	30	...	
Adad.	...	16	...	...	31	...	
Rice 1st kind.	...	16	...	...	13	...	
Do. 2nd kind.	....	18	...	...	14	...	
Do. 3rd kind.	...	19	...	...	15	...	

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APPENDIX XIX.

Expenditure on public works during the year 1906—07.

Description of work.	State Funds.			Local Funds.			Totals.	Remarks.
	Original.	Repairs.	Total.	Original.	Repairs.	Total.		
Road Repairs, Travellers Bungalow & Dharamshala.	...	18	18	...	...	...	18	
School building.	...	17	17	...	...	...	17	
Hospital	...	44	44	...	...	..	44	
Cattle pounds	...	2	2	...	...	...	2	
All other State buildings... ...	...	1147	1147	...	...	...	1147	

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APPENDIX XX.

Agricultural stock in the Malia State during the year 1906—07.

District.	Year.	Horses and cattle.									Ploughs.		Carts.		Remarks.
		Bullocks.	Cows.	Buffaloes.		Horses.	Mares.	Colts & fillies.	Asses.	Sheep and goats.	With two bullocks.	With four bullocks.	Riding.	Load carrying.	
				Male.	Female.										
Malia.		371	156	47	101	4	4	1	64	2100	156	...	...	189	
Khakhrechi.		835	312	205	225	4	25	8	66	4397	321	...	18	186	
Total....		1206	468	252	326	8	29	9	130	6497	477	...	18	375	

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APPENDIX XXI.

Statement showing the excise shops and excise revenue of the Malia State during the year 1906—07.

Name of State.	Country spirit.		Opium.		Ganja.		Tari.		Total.		Remarks.
	Number of shops.	Revenue.	Number of shops.	Revenue.	Number of shops.	Revenue.	Number of shops.	Revenue.	Number of shops.	Revenue.	
Malia.	1	425	1	822	2	54	...	...	4	1301	

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APPENDIX XXII.

MALIA STATE.

Statement of Receipts and expenditure for 1905 of the year ending October 1906.

RECEIPTS.						EXPENDITURE.					
Items.			Rupees.			Items.			Rupees.		
	Opening balance		16403	0	6	1	General Administration		11045	12	4
1	Land Revenue		64362	9	6	2	Jail Charges		857	9	0
2	Taxes		6288	6	11	3	Police		14677	7	2
3	Sayer		16798	15	6	4	Political		4663	I2	8
4	Law and Justice		1209	14	1	5	Bardashi Khata		170	1	1
5	Education...		118	8	0	6	Education...		2576	2	3
6	Interest		308	12	11	7	Forest		124	1	0
7	Miscellaneous		0	0	0	8	Public Works		6111	8	9
	(a) Sale of Ornament		0	0	0		(a) Relief Karadia and 3831-5-1	...	0	0	0
	(b) Other Miscellaneous		475	2	6		(b) Other Works 2280-3-8 ...	...	0	0	0
8	Adjustment		0	0	0	9	Darbar charges		26187	9	11

9	Deposits (a)		1771	12	3	10	Allowances &c	1254	6	5
	Debts (b)		0	0	0	11	Travellers' Bungalow	0	0	0
10	Refunds of Advances &c.		23518	4	9	12	Municipality	1042	10	2
	Tagavi 2245-3-6					13	Medical	1436	3	6
	Other advances 10240-6-9		0	0	0	14	Revenue survey	200	2	3
	Outstandings ...	Cash 10391-10-6	0	0	0	15	Miscellaneous	2246	6	6
		Remissions 641-0-0	0	0	0	16	Adjustment	0	0	0
11	Loan		0	0	0	17	Refunds	699	6	11
12	Refund		135	14	0	18	Debts &c. paid	28562	0	0
						19	Deposit repaid	2885	1	9
	Total...		131361	4	11	20	Advances and Outstanding	0	0	0
							Tagavi	57	8	0
							Other advances	8518	11	9
							Outstandings	9028	15	3
								122353	8	8
							Closing balance...	9037	12	3
							Grand Total...	131391	4	11

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APPENDIX XXIII.

Statement of Medical relief afforded in the Malia State during the year 1906—1907.

Dispensary.	Number of patients treated.		Results of indoor patients.				Expenditure.	Daily average.	Remarks.
	Outdoor.	Indoor.	Discharged.	Absented.	Died.	Remaining under treatment			
Malia Dispensary.	4001	7	7	...	...	...	1436	outdoor 45 Indoor. 02	

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APPENDIX XXIV.

Vital statistics of the Malia State for the year 1906—07.

Name.	Population.	Births.		Increase.	Decrease.	Deaths.		Increase.	Decrease.	Ratio per 1,000 of population				Remarks.
										Births.		Deaths.		
		Past year.	Present year.			Past year.	Present year.			Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	
Malia.	9075	288	360	72	...	188	233	45	...	31·73	39·64	20·7	25·67	

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APPENDIX XXV.

Particulars as to the schools Maintained by the Malia State for the year 1906—07.

Number of schools.		Description of schools.	Number of pupils on 31st March.		Daily average attendance.		Expenditure.			Remarks.
Past year.	Present year.		Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	High School.	Secondary.	Primary.	
1	1	Malia composite School.	146	105	114-62	77-2	...	...	679-2-7	
2	2	Do. Girl School.	54	55	38-	41-1	...	...	295-0-0	
3	3	Khakhrechi composite School.	74	74	54-9	52-1	...	...	438-0-0	
4	4	Do. Girl School.	29	29	26-7	25-0	...	...	144-0-0	
5	5	Vadherwa Vernacular School.	47	45	42-	43-9	...	...	232-0-0	
6	6	Kumbharia Do.	12	14	11-5	11-0	....	...	144-9-3	
7	7	Nawagam Do.	23	22	22-2	22-0	...	...	150-0-0	
6	8	Kataria Do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	66-12-2	
		Total...	385	344	307-85	271-13	...	...	2149-8-0	

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H. W. BERTHON, CAPTAIN.

Political Agent, Malia.

No. 286 of 1908.

From,

CAPTAIN F. De. B. HANCOCK,

POLITICAL AGENT,

INCHARGE MALIA STATE;

To,

THE AGENT TO THE GOVERNOR,

IN KATHIAWAR.

Malia Political Agent's Office.

RAJKOT 8 JUNE 1908.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to submit the Annual Administration Report of the Malia State for the year ending the 31st March 1908.

CHAPTER I.

GENERAL AND POLITICAL.

Area ...	...	103 square miles.
Population ...	...	9076.
Gross Revenue.	...	Rs. 86,976.
Gaekwar tribute.	...	Rs. 1,182.
Junagadh Zortalbi.	...	Rs. 185.

The Ruling family.

2. Thakore Raisinhji Modji the Chief is about 42 years of age and a Jadeja Rajput by caste; his wife is a daughter of the Malwan Bhayat of Dhangadhra; and he has three sons, of whom the eldest Kumar Shri Gumansinhji is his heir. This Kumar is 22

years of age and, his first wife, a daughter of a Muli Bhayat, having died, has been recently betrothed to a daughter of Thakore Sursinhji of Utelia in the District of Ahmedabad.

Important events.

3. The late Chief Thakore Modji Mulvaji, died at 62 years of age on the 19th October 1907 when he was succeeded in the title by his only son—the present Chief. His only widow Subjiba is a daughter of a Bhayat of the Vanod Taluka in the Jhalawad Prant of the Province and now resides on a suitable " Jiwai " at Khakhrechi.

Kumar Shri Gumansinhji has continued to work as Honorary Assistant Revenue officer throughout the year. And his younger brother Kumar Bharatsinhji has continued to make satisfactory progress at the Rajkumar College. It is proposed by way of an economy and in view of his own limited prospects at home that this younger Kumar should complete his education at the Wadhwan Talukdari Girasia School.

The Political Agent made a tour of inspection in the State in the month of November.

4. State and Residency Officials.

The official personnel of the State appears in Appendix I.

The present Thandar Azam Meruji Dosaji Chudasma is a man of good family and his attainments appear to justify the hope that he will prove equal to a difficult charge.

CHAPTER II.

ADMINISTRATION OF THE LAND.

Revenue land Settlement.

5. The system remains the same as reported last year and no changes have taken place. The " Chokhabhag " System continues to prove popular.

Land Improvement.

6. No waste land was taken up for cultivation during the year. And the Karadia Reclamation is not yet fit for cultivation.

Takavi Advances.

7. It was proved necessary to advance a sum of Rs. 1025-6-3 to cultivators during the year of which Rs. 288-4-6 were advanced to Miana cultivators and the rest Rs. 736-11-9 to the other cultivators of the State.

CHAPTER III.

LAGISLATION.

Lagislation.

8. No new laws have been introduced into the State during the year under report. Those in force are given in Appendix II.

Military Force.

Military Force.

9. The state possesses no military force.

Police.

Regular Police.

10. There has been no change in the strength or organization of the force during the year. The strength is shown in Appendix IV as 14 mounted and 33 Foot Police including a Fojdar or Chief Constable incharge. This officer works under the direct orders of the Political Agent and is assisted in the control of the mounted men by a Jamadar. The force was incorrectly stated in the letter press of last year's report though correctly shown in Appendix IV. The force is armed with breech and muzzle loading carbines and rifles. The mounted men are also armed with swords and the foot police with bayonets. The ratio of police to population is ·52 and to the area of the State ·45 per square mile. The total cost was Rs. 14,853-2-0 as compared to Rs. 14,677 in the preceding year.

Working of the force.

11. Appendices V, VI and VII show the working of the force which appears to have slightly impoved in efficiency during the year. The Chief Constable referred to in last year's report was succeded by a more efficient man Damodardas Hirji in June 1907 and a new Jamadar also was appointed in August.

Village Police.

12. The village police consist of an irregular force of 65 men arranged in the following grades.

13. CITY POLICE.

1	on	Rs.	10	P.	M.
3	on	Rs.	8	„	„
2	„	„	7	„	„
5	„	„	6	„	„
2	„	„	5	„	„

10 VILLAGE POLICE PATELS.

1 on Rs. 9 P. M.
6 „ Rs. 8 „ „
3 „ „ 6 „ „

28 CHOKIATS.

3 on Rs. 7 P. M.
16 „ „ 6 „ „
9 „ „ 5 „ „

9. Jiwaidars (paid in kind or land).

5. Arabs (Deli chokiats) on Rs. 8.

A few only of them are armed with guns and the rest have various weapons such as swords, spears or knives. They continue as usual to combine their ordinary revenue and chawkidari duties with a certain measure of assistance to the regular police in criminal matters. A certain number of them, 13, who serve in the Town of Malia and are termed City Police remain under the control of the Chief Constable but it has been found convenient to replace all the others under the direct control of the Chief Revenue Officer of the State, the Thandar.

Criminal Justice.

Courts of the Criminal Jurisdiction.

13. No change has been made during the year in the number or constitution of the Criminal Courts of the State which remain as follows:—

The Court of the Political Agent incharge, exercising the powers of a 1st Class Magistrate and an Assistant Sessions Judge.

The Court of the Thandar, exercising the powers of a 2nd Class Magistrate.

The Courts of the Vahivatdar of Khakhrechi and the Shirestdar to the Thandar exercising the powers of a 3rd Class Magistrate.

Thakore Raisinhji continues to be an Honorary 3rd Class Magistrate but to exercise no jurisdiction where Mianas are concerned.

14. The work performed is shown in Appendix VIII which shows a slight decrease as compared to last year in the number of offences and of offenders dealt with.

Criminal Appellate Work.

15. There were only 2 appeals during the year. And in each case the application was rejected and the sentence of the Lower Court was confirmed.

Civil Justice.

16. There has been no change in the constitution or number of the Civil Courts of the State which remain as follows:—

Courts of Civil Justice.

The Court of the Political Agent incharge, empowered to hear original suits to the value of Rs. 10,000 and appeals against the decisions of the Lower Courts.

The Court of the Thandar, empowered to hear original civil suits to the value of Rs. 5,000.

The Court of the Vahivatdar of Khakhrechi, empowered to hear suits to the value of Rs. 250.

17. 55 Suits were filed during the year as compared to 33 in the preceding year. And the number of cases disposed of was 47 as compared to 33. The value of the suits instituted during the year was Rs. 6980 as compared to Rs. 3150 last year. There were two suits only relating to land as compared to one last year. The average duration of suits was three months as compared to 5 months and 5 days last year. Appendix X furnishes the details.

18. The number of applications for the execution of decrees made during the year was 37 as compared to 28 in the preceding year. And the number of cases disposed of was 38 as compared to 26. Eight cases only remained for disposal at the end of the year of which 7 were for periods of less than 6 months and the other for a period of less than a year. Details are given in Appendix XI.

Execution of decress.

19. 2 Appeals were filed during the year and both were disposed of, leaving none in arrears. The average duration was 2 months and 22 days only. Details are furnished in Appendix XII.

Civil Appellate work.

Extradition.

20. Three demands were preferred on the State during the year and complied with without delay. The States affected were Morvi, Dhangdhra and Bhuj to whom 3, 1 and 3 offenders were handed over respectively. One demand was preferred upon the Junagadh State by whom two offenders were duly handed over for trial.

Extradition.

Prisons.

21. The buildings are the same as last year and consist of one Jail at Malia where there is suitable accomodation for prisoners whose sentences do not exceed 6 months. The Thandar

Buildings.

of Malia is the Superintendent of this Jail and prisoners whose sentences exceed 6 months are sent to the Rajkot Agency Prison. The details furnished in Appendix XIII show a decrease in the number of prisoners which was 49 during the year as compared to 74 in the preceding year. The daily average being only 3.99 as compared to 11.4. The treatment of the prisoners was satisfactory and their general health and conduct were good during the year. The total cost of the Jail was Rs. 761 as compared to Rs. 858 in the preceding year.

Registration.

22. 29 documents were registered during the year as compared to 24 registered in the preceding year. The value of the documents registered was Rs. 16,369 as compared to Rs. 13813 in the preceding year. And the fees realized were Rs. 402 as compared to Rs. 87. Details are furnished in Appendices XIV and XV.

Municipal Administration.

23. There is no regular Municipality in the State. But the streets of the town of Malia are lighted and cleaned at the expense of the State, and a peon is engaged to supervise the sanitation of the town under the orders of the Thandar. A sum of Rs. 852 was spent on this object in the year under report as compared to Rs. 1043 in the preceding year as appears in Appendix XVI.

CHAPTER IV.

Production and Distribution.

Weather and crops.

24. The total registered rainfall was 19·86 as compared to 16·16 in the preceding year and 20·77 the average rainfall of the past 5 years. Unfortunately the later rains failed and realizations were therefore only Annas 12 in the rupee for the Agtar Crops, and for the Pachhtar Crops annas 14 in the rupee.

Wages and labour.

25. Both the rates of wages and the demand for labour were normal during the year. The prices of grain were rather higher than usual. No relief works had to be opened.

Forest.

26. There is no forest in the State. A certain amount of babul is grown and is utilized for agricultural purposes and fuel.

Trade & manufacture.

27. There are no regular industries in the State. There is a small local trade in cereals and cotton.

Public Works.

28. There is no regular Public Works Department in the State and necessary minor works were carried out during the year under the supervision of the Thandar as was done the year before.

The details of the comparatively small expenditure of Rs. 1170 incurred on this account are furnished in Appendix XIX.

Post offices.

29. A new Post office was opened at Wadharwa during the year under report. And there are now three Post offices in the State at Malia, Khakhrechi and Wadharwa. There is a telegraph office at Malia.

Mint.

30. There is no mint in the State.

General condition of State and people.

31. Both State and people continue gradually to recuperate from the effects of past years of famine and scarcity. The season was on the whole a fairly good one and the public health was fair. The returns furnished in Appendix XXIV show an increase in the birth as well as in the death rate of the State. And the details furnished in Appendix XX show a steady increase in agricultural stock which was generally sufficient to meet requirements. Several consecutive good seasons are still required to restore general prosperity and a longer period still to free the State from financial embarassment. The loose charac[illegible]ter and the improvident habits of the Miana tribe add considerably to the financial difficulties of the State.

CHAPTER V.

REVENUE AND FINANCE.

32. The gross total Revenue was Rs. 1,35,400 as compared to Rs. 1,31391 in the previous year and shows a slight general improvement on the previous year. The chief increases appear under Land Revenue and Sayar. The amount of the arrears recovered during the year was Rs. 21606 as compared to Rs. 22876 recovered last year.

Debt.

33. The following figures show the details of the indebtedness of the State on the 31st March 1908.

	Principal.	Interest.	
(1) Government Loan raised during St. 1956-58	1,47,435-12-3	5,999--2-11	
(2) Special Local Fund famine loan raised in St. 1956-58.	2,13,081--0-0	22,195-15 -5	upto Vaisak Sud 2nd St. 1963 A. D. 14-5-07.
(3) Debt decreed in A. D. 1893 to traders under the encumbered Estates rules.	50,051--0-0		
(4) Debt to the Cutch State incurred by the Durbar in St. 1912.	66,407--0-0	2,493--0--0	
(5) Due to the Cutch State on account of the Wawania Port Trust Fund.	17,500--0-0		under consideration.
Total..	4,94,474-12-3	30,688--2--4	

During the year under report Rs. 41,921 were devoted to repayment of the Government Loan Rs. 7439-8-2 being on account of interest and the rest Rs. 34,481-7-10 on account of repayment of capital debt.

The other debts of the State shown above include interest in arrears to date.

CHAPTER VI.

VITAL STATISTICS.

Hospital and dispensaries.

34. There was no addition to the number of dispensaries during the year. There is one dispensary only at Malia incharge of a Hospital assistant. This is under the supervision of the Agency Surgeon.

35. During the absence on a year's leave without pay of the Native Vaid who is retained at State expense in the village of Khakhrechi, arrangements were made for that village to be visited once a week by the Hospital Assistant of the Malia Dispensary. For this the Hospital Assistant was allowed an extra allowance of Rs. 10 per mensem. And the Vaid when present is paid Rs. 125 a year.

Sanitation.

36. Beyond cleaning the streets of the town of Malia and maintaining a peon to supervise those arrangements no special measures appear to have been taken on this account during the year under report.

Vaccination.

37. Vaccination continues under the supervision of the Agency Surgeon. And an Agency Vaccinator visits the State accordingly.

Medical aid.

38. Appendix XXIII shows the details of the medical relief afforded. The daily average attendance at the dispensary was 55 outdoor, and .03 Indoor patients as compared to 45 outdoor and .02 indoor patients the previous year.

Births & Deaths.

39. The number of births increased by 73 and the number of deaths increased by 94. The births show an increase of 8.04 and the deaths an increase of 10.36 per mille over the figures of the preceding year. No special measures were taken during the year to increase the accuracy of registration. Statistics are collected as elsewhere in the Province by the village police. There was no epidemic in the State during the year. One case only of plague occurred in March 1907.

CHAPTER VII.

EDUCATION.

40. Appendix XXV furnishes particulars regarding the Schools maintained by the Malia State. The number of Schools remained the same but the English class at Khakhrechi was closed as unnecessary and this rendered it possible to increase the teaching strength of the Malia School by the addition of one special Miana teacher on a salary of Rs. 8 P. M. There was no appreciable change in the attendance during the year.

41. Education is imparted upto Standard III in English at Malia, and there and elsewhere upto Standard VII in the vernacular. Miana boys are encouraged by the gift of free books and slates and exemption from the ordinary school fees. And it is hoped that these measures and the recent appointment of a special Miana teacher will gradually exercise a beneficial effect upon that community.

42. Rs. 171 were received on account of School fees as compared to Rs. 118 received in the preceding year. And the expenditure incurred including the charges on account of inspection by the Agency Educational Department was Rs. 2339-1-5 as compared to Rs. 2277-8-0 incurred in the preceding year.

CHAPTER VIII.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Library.

43. There is a small library at Malia maintained by the State and another at Khakhrechi maintained by the public.

Miana debts.

44. The total liabilities of the Mianas to the State are Rs. 71,956-0-5 as shown below:—

(1) Share of Relief Works expenses	Rs.		29,638--4--3
(2) Management	„	„	3,246-11--6
(3) Takavi	„	„	32,886--1--9
(4) Sudhara	„	„	6,184-14-11
	Total Rs.		71,956--0--5

45. Their other liabilities under the Settlement of 1888 to the extent of Rs. 46,156-14-1 have been declared fully discharged and satisfied upon the expiry of 20 years with effect from the 1st February 1908 and the management of their lands under the rules framed in 1888 has terminated accordingly. Special arrangements for the recovery of their remaining liabilities are now under consideration.

Customs.

46. An export duty of R.1 per maund is levied upon all cotton exports except the produce of the lands belonging to the Miana tribe which is subject to a duty of as. 8 per maund only and the produce of Bhayati and Giras villages which is exempt. But over and above this various other duties are levied in the State villages under the name of Dan, Upani, Labhvati etc. which under the general name of Mandvi or customs are farmed out every year and constitute the largest item in the various dues which are shown under the general head of Sayer in Appendix XXII of this report.

47. The sum of Rs. 21,180-8-5 which is entered against that item in the year under report was actually made up as follows.

(1)	Opium and Chandul	Rs.	655-0-0
(2)	Liquor	Rs.	300-0-0
(3)	Salt	Rs.	241-0-0
(4)	Customs (Mandvi)	Rs.	18,752-0-0
(5)	Bhang and Ganja	Rs.	62-0-0
(6)	Bham (Leather Cess)	Rs.	1103-0-0
(7)	Other farms	Rs.	68-0-0

And the sum of Rs. 18,752 entered against Customs or Mandvi is made up of the following items.

(a) State cotton duty — Rs. 10,696

(b) Mandvi farms.

(1) Malia — Rs. 5,101

Malia. Rasangpur. Fatehpur. Haripur.

(2) Khakhrechi — Rs. 2,700

(3) Chikhli — Rs. 200

(4) Manaba — Rs. 55

48. This Mandvi, which is also levied by the proprietors concerned in Bhayati or Giras villages, is in the State villages leived at the rates shown in the following statement.

Goods.	Duty.	Remarks.
1 Merchandize imported by Malia traders.	7½ pies per rupee ad-valorem.	of this 1½ pies per rupee is levied on account or dharmada or religious charity.
2 Merchandize imported by other traders	8½ pies per rupee ad valorem.	Do. Do.
3 Cotton-seeds imported	4 pies per Maund.	of this 1 pie per maund is levied on a/c of Dharmada.
4 Animals.	As. 5 each.	For sale or any barter that in-
Goat or sheep	As. 1/3 each.	cludes a money
Cows.	Free.	payment.
5 Hides.		
Raw.	6 pies each.	Levied on import and export.
Cleaned.	1 anna each.	
6 Horns imported by Malia traders.	7½ pies per rupee ad	of this 1½ pies per rupee is levied
imported by other traders.	valorem.	on a/c of dharmada.
	8½ pies per rupee ad valorem.	Do. Do.
7 Wool.		of this A. 1 is levied on account
Superior.	R. 1/1 per Maund.	of Dharmada.
Inferior.	As. 9 per Maund.	Levied on two shearings a year. Wool sheared on animals taken out of Malia before Magsar Sud 15 (December) is exempt.
8 Melons.	As. 6 per buffalo load.	Import.

9 Vegetables.	3 pies per load.	Import.
10 Produce of Miana lands cultivated by other than Mianas.	6 pies per rupee ad valorem and 9 pies per Kalsi in kind.	Dan in cash and weighing fee in kind.
11 Cotton pods. The produce of Miana lands.	As. 8 per Maund and 15 tolas per Maund in kind.	Dan in cash and weighing fee in kind.
12 Chilies garlic etc.	½ lb. per maund.	Paid in kind by purchasers.
13 Roofing materials.	As 4 per Cart load.	On Materials imported for sale.
14 All grain produce of all lands whether private, giras, Dharmada, service or Jiwai.	1 Map and 1½ palis per Kalsi.	Weighing fee. All produce must be weighed in the presence of or with the permission of Customs farmer.
15 Produce of Vatantar field i. e. field enjoyed in lieu of interest on loan.	Dan 6 pies per Rupee ad valorem & 9 palis per Kalsi for weighing fee.	Dan in cash and weighing fee in kind.
16 Merchandize exported.	The usual dan but not more than 4 pies per maund on cotton seeds.	
17 Cotton pods imported for ginning only.	Re. 1 per Bhar (20 Maunds.)	
18 Grain collected and sold by retail Vegetable sellers out of profit in their business.	6 pies per rupee ad valorem.	Dan in cash. Exempt from weighing fees.
19 Grain advanced by a merchant upon repayment.	The usual Dan.	
Grain advanced by a cultivator.	Do.	
20 All goods imported, exported or sold in contravention of these rules.	11 times the usual dan.	of which the penalty of 10 times the usual Dan is credited to the Taluka.

Goods exempted from Dan.

1 Goods imported by Darbar or by order of Darbar for personal use but goods purchased by Darbar in town are liable to usual dan.

2 Goods imported by contractors for State purposes if not sold to other persons.

3 All imports re-exported within 8 days and not sold in the meantime.

4 Goods imported and exported at once by tramway.

5 Goods in transit through the State.

6 Goods not exceeding Re. 1 in value imported for actual consumption.

7 Confectionery: dan having been already paid on ingredients.

8 Goods imported on account of Marriage purposes viz.

(a) Bride's dowry.

(b) Moosala-Maternal Uncle's wedding present.

(c) Samurta: Father-in-Law's present of clothes to a bride.

(d) Present made on occasion of pragnancy etc.

(e) Goods imported for marriage purposes by a bridegroom.

9 Cloth goods imported for conversion, embroidery, colouring, patching etc. if not sold in the town.

10 Other goods imported by artizans for conversion if not sold in the town.

11 Agricultural impliments and iron imported by cultivators for agricultural purposes.

12 Household goods.

13 Goods on which Dan has already been levied.

14 Empty sacks imported to be filled with cotton or grain.

15 Gold, Silver and Jewels not sold in the town.

16 Account books imported for actual use and not sold.

17 Staple grain (Juwar, bajri and wheat) bartered by cultivators for equal amount for purposes of (a) consumption or (b) seeds.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

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Political Agent, incharge Malia State.

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APPENDIX I.

Name of high officials in the Malia State and Residency officials showing changes in personnel during the year, 1907-08.

Name of officer.	Appointment.	Period.		Remarks.
		From.	To.	
Captain H. W. Berthon.	Political Agent & Manager Malia State.	1—4-07	11—3-08	Proceeded on furlough from 12-3-08.
„ N. S. Coghill.	Do.	12—3-08	15—3-08	
„ F. De. B. Hancock.	Do.	16—3-08	31—3-08	
Ajam Keshavji Jasraj Patwari.	Thandar-Malia.	1—4-07	20—6-07	Proceeded on 6 months leave on private affairs.
„ Meruji Dosaji Chudasama.	Do.	21—6-07	20-12-07	
„ Keshavji Jasraj Patwari.	Do.	21-12-07	20—3-08	Transferred to Wao in Palanpur Agency as a Manager.
„ Meruji Dosaji Chudasama.	Do.	21—3-08	31—3-08	

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APPENDIX II.

List of laws in force in the Malia State during the year 1907-08.

Description.	Whether adopted from British Indian Acts.	Introduced during the year under report.	Remarks.
Civil & Criminal.	British Indian Acts adopted in toto.		
Limitation.	Agency Regulations.		The laws in force in British territory are also in force here.
Registration & Stamp Rules.	Adopted for the State but in the spirit of the British Laws.		
Rules for the better Control of the Mianas.		Introduced in May 1904.	

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APPENDIX III.

Statement showing the strength, cost, and particulars of the Military Force in the Malia State for the year 1907-08.

Arm of service.	Number of fighting officers and men.						Details of force at the end of the current year.						Total cost on account of pay and allowances of the force including followers.	Remarks.
	At the end of last year.	Recruited this year.	Casualties.			At the end of the current year.	Number of regiments, Battalions or Batteries.	Number of guns.	Number of men.					
			Died.	Invalided.	Discharged deserted, &c.				European commissioned officers.	Native commissioned officers.	Non commissioned officers.	Fighting men.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Cavalry	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Sappers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Artillery	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Infantry	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Imperial Service Troops...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Total...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	

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APPENDIX IV.

Statement showing the strengh, cost, discipline and education of the Police, for the year 1907-08.

Description of office.	Number.	Pay of grade.	Total cost.	Punishments.			Rewards.		Education.		Remarks.
				Dismissed.	Fined, degraded or suspended departmentally.	Punished Judicially.	By promotion.	By money.	Number able to read and write.	Number under instruction.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Fouzdar or Chief Constable.	1	60+10 P.T.A.	70 × 12= 840	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	
Mounted Jamadar. ...	1	25+20 H A.	45 × 12= 540	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	
Naiques.	2	13	26 × 12= 312	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
Do.	2	12	24 × 12= 288	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	
Lance Naiques... ...	3	11	33 × 12= 396	...	2	...	...	...	1	2	
1st Class Constables.	4	10	40 × 12= 480	...	1	...	...	...	2	2	
2nd Do.	7	9	63 × 12= 756	...	2	...	1	...	1	6	
3rd. Do.	14	8	112 × 12=1344	...	5	...	5	...	7	7	
2nd Class Sowars.	3	29	87 × 12=1044	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	
3rd Do. Do.	6	28	168 × 12=2016	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	
Camel Sowars.	2	23	46 × 12= 552	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	
Do. Do.	2	22	44 × 12= 528	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	
Total...	47	280	758 × 12=9096	...	11	...	6	...	21	26	

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APPENDIX V.

Statement showing the working of the Police in Malia State during the year 1907-08.

State.	Number of offences.		Number of accused arrested.		Number of accused sent for trial.		Number of accused convicted.		Number of accused acquitted or discharged.		Percentage of convictions (columns 4-5)		Percentage convicted of accused sent for trial.		Remarks.
	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Malia.	61	35	136	83	136	78	74	51	62	16	54·41	61·44	54·41	65·38	11 under trial.

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APPENDIX VI.

Statement showing the value of property stolen and amount of recoveries in the Malia State during the year 1907-08.

State.	Amount stolen.		Amount recovered.		Percentage of recoveries of property stolen.		Remarks.
	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Malia.	122-12-6	591-1-1	71-7-1	548-1-1	58·18	92·72	

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APPENDIX VII.

Statement showing the number of crimes committed, number of cases disposed of and cases awaiting trial in the Malia State during the year 1907-08.

Description of offences.	Number of offences.			Number of cases disposed of during past year	Number of cases disposed of during present year.	Number of persons apprehended	Number of persons convicted.	Number of persons sentenced.						Number of persons acquitted or discharged.	Number of persons confined, being insane.	Number of persons died during or before trial.	Term of imprisonment.										Awaiting trial.	Remarks.
	Balance from past year.	Committed during the present year.	Total.					Imprisonment.		Imprisonment and fine.		Fine only.	Whipping.	Total.														
								Simple.	Rigorous.	Simple.	Rigorous.						Under one month.	From 1 to 2 months.	From 2 to 3 months.	From 3 to 6 months.	From 6 to 12 months.	From 1 to 2 years.	From 2 to 3 years.	From 3 to 5 years.	Above 5 years.	Transportation.	Capital punishment.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Theft, house breaking, Hurt, Hurt with dangerous weapons, Receiving stolen property, Offences relating to Marriage, Criminal intimidation, Disobeying orders duly promulgated by a public servant, Grambling and Violation of Arms rules.	7	115	122	124	117	253	94	2	25	1	13	50	3	94	139	...	....	25	8	1	2	3	...	1	1	...	...	....	14	5 committed to Political Agent's Court. 1 committed to the Session Court.

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APPENDIX VIII.

Statement showing the number of offences reported and dealt with by the various Courts in the Malia State during the year 1907-08.

Name of court.	Number of offences reported during the year.		Number of persons dealt with.								Persons disposed of.					Persons remaining at the end of year.	Remarks.
			Remaining at the end of last year.	Brought to trial in 1907-08.					Total.		Discharged without trial.	Acquitted.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped, or transferred.		
	Past year.	Present year.		Arrested by police.	Upon warrant.	On summons.	voluntary.	Arrested in presence of the Magistrate.	Past year.	Present year.							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
1 Assistant Sessions Judge.	...	1	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	2	2	...	...	...	
2 Political Agent's Court.	1	5	...	12	...	...	...	...	5	12	...	4	8	...	...	...	
3 Malia Thana Court.	130	104	16	103	38	40	28	2	283	227	69	58	81	6	...	13	
4 Khakhrechi.	3	5	...	2	1	6	1	...	8	10	6	...	3	...	...	1	
Total.	134	115	16	121	39	46	29	2	296	253	75	64	94	6	...	14	

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APPENDIX IX.

Statement showing the result of appeals against decisions passed by the Criminal Courts in the Malia State during the year 1907-08.

Tribunals.	Number of applications.	Number of persons and cases.																	
		Applications rejected.		Sentences.						Proceedings quashed.		Referred.		Further enquiry &c. ordered.		Pending.		Remarks.
				Confirmed.		Modified.		Reversed.										
		Persons.	Cases.	Persons	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	
Political Agent Malia.	2	3	2	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	

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APPENDIX X.

Civil work Nature and value of original suits filed and disposed of in the Courts of Malia State for the year 1907-08.

Tribunals	Opening balance.		Filed during the year received by transfer or on remand.		Total.		Disposed of during the year		Closing balance.		Suits filed during the present year.									Suits disposed of during the present year.						Remarks.
	Past year.	present year	Past year.	present year	Past year.	present year	Past year.	present year	Past year.	present year	Value.	Suits re-landed property.	Suits for money transaction.	Suits for other rights.	Number of suits under Rs. 100.	Number of suits above Rs. 100 and under Rs. 500.	Number of suits above Rs 500 and under Rs. 1000.	Number of suits above Rs. 1000 and under Rs. 5000.	Number of suits Rs. 5000 above.	Exparte.	Admitted and compromised.	Struck off the file.	Otherwise disposed of	Value.	Average duration.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Political Agent's Court	....	..	....	...	....	..	...	...	....	...	...	...	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	y. m. d.	
Malia Thana Court	5	4	28	41	33	45	29	33	4	12	6302	2	37	2	29	5	2	1	...	...	7	6	20	3472	0-2-13	
Khakhrechi Vahivatdar's Court.	1	2	5	14	6	16	4	14	2	2	678	...	14	....	11	3	...	...	...	....	8	2	4	606-14-3	0-3-17	
Total...	6	6	33	55	39	61	33	47	6	14	6980	2	51	2	40	8	2	1	...	...	15	8	24	1078-14-3	0-3-0	

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APPENDIX XI.

Civil work-Results of applications for execution of decrees in the Malia State for 1907-08.

Tribunals.	Opening balance.		Value of opening balance for present year.	Applications brought to the Register.			Total.			Disposed of.			Closing balance.			Nature of application pending disposal at the close of 1907-08			Remarks.
	Past year.	Present year.		Past year.	Present year.	Value for present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Value for present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Value for present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Value for present year.	Below 6 months.	Below 12 months	Above 12 months.	
Political Agent's Court.	...	...	...	...	1	328-3-0	...	1	328-3-0	...	1	328-3-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Malia Thana Court.	4	8	2834	26	30	760	30	38	3594	22	30	2970	8	8	624	7	1	....	
Khakhrechi Vahivatdar's Court.	3	1	97	2	6	205	5	7	302	4	7	302	1	...	...	...	...	...	
Total	7	9	2931	28	37	1293-3-0	35	46	4224-3-0	26	38	3600-3-0	9	8	624	7	1	...	

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APPENDIX XII.

Civil work—Number and results of appeal in Civil suits of the Court of the Political Agent Malia 1907-08.

Tribunal.	Opening Balance.		Filed during.		Total.		Disposed of during.		Closing balance.		Value of appeals filed during.		How disposed of.												Average duration.	
													Decisions confirmed		Decisions reversed.		Decisions amended.		Cases remanded for retrial		Cases compromised and otherwise disposed of.					
	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.			Past year.	Present year.
																									y. m. d.	y. m. d.
Political Agent, Malia.	...	...	3	2	3	2	3	2	...	...	626-8-0	66-0-0	1	1	1	1	0	...	...	...	1	...			0-8-6	0-2-22

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APPENDIX XIII.

Statement showing the number of persons confined in the Jails and lock-ups in the Malia State during the year 1907-08.

Stations.	No. of prisons.	Number of prisoners.				Daily average.		Number of prisoners remaining at the end of the year.	Total cost of Jail and prisoners.	Average period of accused under trial.	Remarks showing mortality among convicts in Jail.
		Remaining from last year.	Admitted during the year.	Total.							
				Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.				
Malia	1	8	41	74	49	11.4	3 99	1	671	13 4	None.

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APPENDIX XIV.

Statement showing Registration of documents in the Malia State during the year 1907—08.

Name of state	Documents presented for registration.		Nature of documents presented.										Documents registered.		Value of documents registered.		Documents of which registry has been refused.		Documents remaining unregistered pending enquiry at the close of the year		Remarks.
			Mortgages.		Sale deeds.		Wills.		Money-bonds.		Miscellaneous.										
	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Malia.	24	29	21	24	1	1	1	2	...	...	1	2	24	29	13813	16369	..	...	...	...	

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F. De. B. HANCOCK, Captain.
Political Agent, Malia.

APPENDIX XV.

Statement showing the Receipts and Expenditure on account of Registration during the year 1907-08.

Description.	Past year.			Present year.			Remarks.
	Number of deeds.	Value of property.	Fees realised.	Number of deeds.	Value of Property.	Fees realised.	
Mortgages.	21	12663	79 8	24	15476 12	94	
Sale deeds.	1	200	1 8	1	193	1 8	
Wills.	1	500	3	2	400	3 8	
Money bonds.	...	...	...	...	...	...	No expenditure is incurred in this behalf.
Miscellaneous.	1	450	3	2	300	3	
Total...	24	13813	87	29	16369 12	102	
Deduct expenditure	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Net profit....	24	13813	87	29	16369 12	102	

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F. De. B. HANCOCK, CAPTAIN.
Political Agent, Malia.

APPENDIX XVI.

Receipts and Expenditure of Municipalities in the Malia State during the year 1907-08.

Name.	Opening balance on 1 st April.	Receipts during the year.		Total in current year.	Expenditure during the year.		Balance on the 31 st March.	Remarks.
		Past.	Present.		Past.	Present.		
Malia.					1043	852		

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Political Agent, Malia.

APPENDIX XVII.

Statement of rain fall in the Malia state for 1907-08.

Stations.	April 1907.	May 1907.	June 1907.	July 1907.	August 1907.	September 1907.	October 1907.	November 1907.	December 1907.	January 1908.	February 1908.	March 1908.	Total.	Total of past year	Average of past 5 years.	Remarks.
Malia.	...	....	I. C. 2—0	I. C. 7-18	I. C. 10-68	...	...	...	...	...	...	....	I. C. 19-86	I. C. 16-15	I. C. 19-55	

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Political Agent, Malia.

APPENDIX XVIII.

Statement as to the prices of Staple food-grains.

Articles.	During March (past year). per Rupee.			During March (present year). per Rupee.			Remarks.
	Mds.	Seer.	T.	Mds.	Seer.	T.	
Bajri.	...	38	...	...	22	20	
Wheat.	...	22	...	...	18	...	
Jowari.	1	5	...	...	24	...	
Gram.	...	23	...	...	23	...	
Tuwar.	...	10	10	...	11	...	
Mag.	...	30	....	....	24	...	
Adad.	...	31	...	...	19	...	
Rice 1st Kind.	...	13	...	...	8	20	
Do. 2nd Kind.	...	14	...	...	11	20	
Do. 3rd Kind.	...	15	...	...	13	20	

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APPENDIX XIX.

Statement showing Expenditure on public works in the Malia State during the year 1907 08.

Description of works.	State funds.			Local funds.			Totals.
	Original.	Repairs.	Total.	Original.	Repairs.	Total.	
Road Repairs, Traveller's Bungalow & Dharamshala.	...	53	53	...	...	...	53
School building.	...	30	30	...	...	...	30
Hospital.	...	31	31	...	...	...	31
Cattle pound.	...	9	9	...	...	...	9
All other State buildings.... ...	...	1047	1047	...	...	...	1047

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APPENDIX XX.

Statement showing Agricultural stock in the Malia State, during the year 1907-08.

District.	Year.	Horses and cattle.									Ploughs.		Carts.		Remarks.
		Bullocks.	Cows.	Buffaloes. Male.	Buffaloes. Female.	Horses.	Mares.	Colts and fillies.	Asses.	Sheep and goats.	With two bullocks.	With four bullocks.	Riding.	Load Carrying.	
Malia.	...	375	160	40	106	7	3	2	60	1803	160	...	...	192	
Khakhrechi.	...	888	369	197	233	5	23	7	50	4032	345	...	20	194	
Total....	...	1263	529	237	339	12	26	9	110	5835	505	...	20	386	

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APPENDIX XXI.

Statement showing the Excise Shops and Excise Revenue of the Malia State during the year 1907-08.

Name of State.	Country spirit.		Opium.		Ganja.		Tari.		Total.		Remarks.
	Number of shops.	Revenue.	Number of shops.	Revenue.	Number of shops.	Revenue.	Number of shops.	Revenue.	Number of shops.	Revenue.	
Malia.	1	300	1	655	2	62	...	...	4	1017	

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F. De. B. HANCOCK, CAPTAIN.
Political Agent, Malia.

APPENDIX XXII.

MALIA STATE.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditures for 1906 of the year ending October 1907.

	Receipts.	Amount.				Expenditure.	Amount.		
	OPENING BALANCE.	9037	12	3	1	General Administration.	11683	11	11
1	Land Revenue.	71577	15	11	2	Jail charges.	761	7	7
2	Taxes.	6529	6	9	3	Police.	14853	2	....
3	Sayar.	21180	8	5	4	Political.	3150	8	...
4	Law & Justice.	1582	13	9	5	Bardashi Khata.	109	4	7
5	Education.	171	5	...	6	Education.	2489	7	2
6	Interest.	215	11	6	7	Forest.	164	12	6
7	Miscellaneous.	...	...	...	8	Public Works.	2867	1	4
	Other Miscellaneous.	2376	13	1		Karadia Rs. 1589-0-9			
8	Adjustment.	...	...	...		State building &c. 1278-0-7			
9	Deposits.	1103	6	...	9	Darbar charges.	27222	14	8
10	Refund of Advances etc.	21605	15	2	10	Allowances &c.	205	4	8

	Tacavi. Rs. 4712--1 -2				11	Traveller's Bungalow.	...	...	...
	Other Advances. 9764-14-11				12	Municipality.	851	11	9
	Outstandings. 7128-15--1				13	Medical.	1197	3	2
12	Refund.	19	0	10	14	Revenue Survey.	180	...	...
	Total --	1,35,400	12	8	15	Miscellaneous.	573	7	1
					16	Adjustment.	...	...	...
					17	Refunds.	96	14	2
					18	Debts. &c. paid.	45804	3	10
					19	Deposit repaid.	572	12	2
					20	Advances & outstandings.	13844	9	2
						Tacavi.			
						Other Advances. Rs. 12730 10-3			
						Out-standings. 1113-14-11			
						Total...	126628	7	9
						Closing Balance,...	8772	4	11
						Grand Total...	135400	12	8

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APPENDIX XXIII.

Statement showing Medical Relief afforded in the Malia state during the year 1907-08.

Dispensary.	Number of patients treated.		Results of in-door patients.				Expenditure.	Daily average.	Remarks.
	Out-door.	In-door.	Discharged	Absented.	Died.	Remaining under treatment			
Malia. Dispensary.	3657	10	10	...	...	...	1197	Out-door 55 & In-door -03	

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Political Agent, Malia.

APPENDIX XXIV.

Vital statistics of the Malia state for the year 1907-08.

Name.	Population.	Births.		Increase.	Decrease.	Deaths.		Increase.	Decrease.	Ratio per 1,000 of population.				Remarks.
		Past year.	Present year.			Past year.	Present year.			Births.		Deaths.		
										Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	
Malia.	9075	360	433	73	...	233	327	94	...	39·64	47·71	25·67	36·03	

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Political Agent, Malia.

APPENDIX XXV.

Particulars as to the schools maintained by the Malia State for the year 1907-08.

Number of schools.		Description of schools.	Number of pupils on roll on 31st March 1908		Daily average attendance.		Expenditure.			Remarks.
Past year.	Present year.		Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	High school.	Secondary.	Primary.	
1	1	Malia composite School.....	105	143	77·2	106 21	....	...	730-10-7	
2	2	Do. Girl School.....	55	45	41·1	39·8	...	...	308-0-0	
3	3	Khakhrechi composite School.	74	67	52·1	36·8	...	...	505-9 4	
4	4	Do. Girl School	29	29	25	24 2	...	...	152-0-0	
5	5	Vadharwa Vernacular School.	45	36	43·9	34·2	...	....	256-0-0	
6	6	Kumbharia Do.	14	14	11	7·1	...	...	158-0-0	
7	7	Nawagam Do.	22	22	22	19·75	....	...	158-0-0	
8	8	Kataria Do.	....	...	...	...	...	...	70-13-6	
		Total....	344	340	271·13	266·17	...	...	2339-1-5	

Rajkot 20th May 1908.

F. De. B. HANCOCK, Captain.
Political Agent, Malia.

No. 48 of 1909.

From,

MAJOR F. deB. HANCOCK,

POLITICAL AGENT, MALIYA.

To,

THE AGENT TO THE GOVERNOR,

KATHIAWAD.

Political Agent Maliya's Office

CAMP VERAWAL, 15th June 1909.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to submit the Annual Administration Report of the MALIYA Taluka for the year ending 31st March 1909.

CHAPTER I.

GENERAL AND POLITICAL.

Area		103 square miles.
Population		9,075.
Gross Revenue ...		Rs. 91,618.
Gaekwari Tribute ...	Rs.	1,182.
Junagadh Jortalbi...	Rs.	185.
Total	Rs.	1,367

The Ruling Family.

2. Thakore Raisinhji Modji, the Chief, is about 43 years of age and a Jadeja Rajput by caste; his wife is a daughter of the Malwan Bhayat of Dhrangadhra. He has 3 sons of whom the eldest K. S. Gumansinhji is his heir. That Kumar is about 23 years of age. His younger brother Kumar Bharatsinhji who is now

15½ years of age is now completing his education in the Talukdari Girassia School at Wadhwan. The youngest Kumar Balsinhji is about 7 years of age and studies in the local school at Maliya. Bai Shri Subjiba the widow of the late Chief continues to reside on a suitable "Jiwai" at Khakhrechi.

Important events.

3. K. S. Gumansinhji's first wife having died, his second marriage with Hemat Kunverba daughter of Thakor Sursinhji of Utelia in the District of Ahmedabad was celebrated during the year. She gave birth to a son on 2-3-09 and he has been given the name of Harichandrasinhji.

4. K. S. Gumansinhji who was previously working as an Honorary Revenue Assistant, has been now formally appointed Revenue Adhikari of the Maliya Division of the Taluka and invested with the powers of a 3rd. Class Magistrate.

The Political Agent twice made a tour of inspection in the State in the months of October 1908 and March 1909.

State and Residency Officials.

5. The official personal of the State appears in Appendix I. The present Thandar Azam Meruji Dosaji Chudasama, who is a Graduate and an L.L.B. of the Bombay University, has been now invested with the powers of a First Class Magistrate.

6. Remission of sentence was granted to 5 prisoners in the Maliya Taluka Jail on the occasion of the 50th Anniversary of the assumption of the direct Administration of India by the Crown.

CHAPTER II.

ADMINISTRATION OF THE LAND.

Revenue and Settlement.

9. The system remains the same as reported last year and no changes have taken place. The "Chokha bhag "System continues to prove suitable

Land improvement.

8. 12 Santis of land which had lain fallow in the village of Chikhli since the last famine of 1898-99 were taken under cultivation during the year. The Karadia reclamation is not yet fit for cultivation. Some wheat was sown on the edge of it during the year as an experiment, but unfortunately the seed proved bad and there was no result. A further experiment will be made in the current

year. Measures have been taken recently to protect certain fields near the Machhu river with small plantations of ketki and Prasi, and also to encourage the cultivation of potatoes and other root crops in the sandy soil near Maliya.

Takavi advances.

9. It was found necessary to advance a sum of Rs. 1179-0-0 to cultivators. Of this Rs. 891-0-0 were advanced to cultivators of the State and the balance Rs. 288 to the Mianas.

CHAPTER III.

Legislation.

Legislation.

10. The Explosive Substances Act VI of 1908 was introduced in the Taluka during the year under report. The Laws in force are given in Appendix II.

Military Forces.

Military Forces.

11. The State possesses no Military force.

Police.

Police.

15. The force was organized and their pay was revised during the year. The strength shown in Appendix IV is now 12 mounted and 32 Foot Police as compared to 14 mounted and 33 Foot Police last year including a Fojdar or Chief Constable in charge. The force is armed with breech and muzzle loading carbines and rifles. The mounted men are also armed with swords, and the foot Police with bayonets. The ratio of police to population is .48 and to the area of the State, .42 per Square mile. The total cost was Rs. 15,063 as compared to Rs. 14,853-2-0 in the preceding year. The increase was due to purchase of ammunition for the Police during the year under report.

Working of the force.

13. Appendices V, VI, and VII show the working of the force. The percentage of convictions to accused arrested and sent for trial has slightly increased while that of recoveries of stolen property has diminished.

Village Police.

Village Police.

14. There has been no change in the strength or organization of this body which still consists of 65 men of whom 13, who serve in the town of Maliya and are termed City Police, remain under the control of the Chief Constable and the rest

continue for the present under the direct control of the Chief Revenue Officer-the Thandar. A few of these men are armed with guns and the rest have various weapons such as swords, spears, or knives. In addition to their ordinary revenue and Chowkidari duties they have to render the usual assistance to the regular Police in Criminal matters.

Criminal Justice.

15. There are the following Courts of Criminal Justice in the State :—

The Court of the Political Agent, in charge exercising the powers of a District Magistrate and an Assistant Sessions Judge.

The Court of the Thandar now exercising the powers of a First Class Magistrate.

The court of the Wahivatdar of Khakhrechi and the Revenue Adhikari Maliya exercising the powers of a 3rd. class Magistrate.

Thakor Raisinhji continues to be an Honorary Magistrate.

16. The work performed is shown in Appendix VIII which shows an increase of two offences and a decrease of 23 offenders as compared to last year.

Criminal Appellate Works.

17. There were 5 appeals as compared to 2 in the previous year. In 4 of these the order of conviction and sentence of the Lower Court was confirmed, while in one it was reversed.

CIVIL JUSTICE.

Courts of Civil Justice.

18. There has been no change in the constitution or number of the Civil Courts of the State which remain as follows :—

The Court of the Political Agent in charge, empowered to hear original suits to the value of Rs. 10,000, and appeals against the decisions of the lower courts.

The Court of the Thandar empowered to hear original civil suits to the value of Rs. 5,000.

The Court of the Wahivatdar of Khakhrechi, empowered to hear suits to the value of Rs. 250.

19. 58 suits were filed during the year as compared to 55 last year. And the number of cases disposed of was 48 as compared to 47. The value of suits instituted was Rs. 9,744 as compared to Rs. 6980. There

were 6 cases relating to land as compared to 2 last year. The average duration of suits was 1 month and 21 days as compared to 3 months in the previous year. Appendix X furnishes the details.

Execution of decrees.

20. The number of applications for the execution of decrees made during the year was 31 as compared to 37 in the preceding year ; while the number disposed of was 31 as in the previous year. 8 applications only remained for disposal at the end of the year all of which were for periods of less than 6 months. Details are given in Appendix XII.

Extradition.

Extradition.

21. Five demands were made on the State during the year and complied with without delay. The States affected were Jamnagar, Morvi, Dhrangadhra and Cutch to whom 16 persons were made over. One demand was preferred by the Taluka upon the Cutch State, by whom one offender was duly handed over for trial.

Prisons.

Buildings.

22. There is only one Jail at Maliyá. This consists of 8 rooms with strong iron barred doors which are divided into two sets of 5 and 3, each measuring 16 × 12 ft. and 12 × 10 ft. respectively. The roof is made of timber beams and slabs of stones covered with chunam. Near the front gate there are two more rooms one of which is used as a Police guard room and the other as the prisoners' kitchen. The Jail was visited twice by the Political Agent incharge and certain necessary improvements will be carried out in the current year. Prisoners sentenced to a term not exceeding 2 years are now accomodated in this Jail ; those whose term of sentence exceeds 2 years still being sent to the Rajkot Prison. The Thandar of Maliya is the Superintendent of the Jail. The details furnished in Appendix XIII show an increase in the number of prisoners which were 60 during the year as compared to 40 in the preceding year, the daily average being 4·78 as compared to 3·99. The treatment of the prisoners was satisfactory and their health and conduct were good. The total cost of the Jail was Rs. 823 as compared to Rs. 761 in the preceding year.

Registration.

23. 28 documents were registered during the year as compared to 29 in the preceding year. The value of documents registered was

7,555 as compared to Rs. 16,369 in the previous year. And the fees realized were Rs. 60 as compared to Rs. 402 in the previous year. Details are furnished in Appendices XIV and XV.

Municipal Administration.

24. There is no regular Municipality in the State. But the streets of the town of Maliya are lighted and cleaned at the expense of the State, which spent on this object a sum of Rs. 825 as compared to Rs. 852 in the preceding year. This appears in Appendix XVI. The Sanitation of the town is looked after by a special peon under the supervision and orders of the Thandar.

CHAPTER IV.

PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION.

Weather and crops.

25. The total registered rainfall was 14·50 as compared to 19·86 in the preceding year and 17·22 the average rainfall of the past 5 years. The Agtar crops were unfortunately damaged by the continuous nature of the first rains ; while the Pachhtar crops suffered owing to the want of the later rains. Realizations were, therefore, only about 8 annas in the rupee for the Agtar crops, and for the Pachhatar crops about 12 annas in the rupee.

Wages and labour.

26. Both the rates of wages and the demand for labour were normal during the year. The prices of grain were rather higher than usual. No relief works had to be opened.

Forest.

27. There is no forest in the State. A certain amount of Babul is grown and is utilized for agricultural purposes and fuel. It is proposed to start experimental State plantations of cocoanut trees and date palms in the course of the current year.

Trade and Manufacture.

28. There are no industries of any importance in the State, and there is only a small local trade in cereals and cotton.

Public Works.

29. There is no regular Public works Department in the State. Necessary minor works were carried out during the year under the supervision of the Thandar as was done in previous years. The details of the comparatively small expenditure of Rs. 2,026 incurred on this account are furnished in appendix XIX.

Post Office.

30. There are 3 post offices in the State at Maliya, Khakhrechi, and Wadharwa. There is a Telegraph Office at Maliya.

Mint. 31. There is no Mint in the State.

32. Both State and people continue to gradually recuperate from the effects of past years of famine and scarcity. The past season was only a fairly good one. The public health with the exception of a few cases of small-pox was fair. The returns furnished in appendix XXIV show an increase in the birth as well as in the death rate of the state. And the details furnished in Appendix XX show a continued increase in the agricultural stock which is now generally sufficient to meet requirements. Several consecutive good seasons are still required to restore general prosperity, and a longer period still to free the State from financial embarassment. The loose character and the improvident habits of the Mianas, who are still heavily indebted to the State, continue to add considerably to the financial difficulties of the administaation. Some improvement in this respect is anticipated from a contemplated revision of the rules for the better conduct of the Mianas.

CHAPTER V.

Revenue and Finance.

33. The gross total revenue was Rs. 1,35,050 as compared to Rs. 1,35,400 in the previous year. The amount of arrears and outstandings recovered during the year was Rs. 26,330 as compared to Rs. 21,606 recovered during the previous year.

34. The following figures show the details of the indebtedness of the Taluka at the end of the Revenue year i. e. 31st October 1908.

Debt.

	Principal.	Interest.	
1. Government Loan raised during St. 1956 and 1958.	1,47,435-12-3	5,999-0-0	
2. Special Local Fund Loan raised in Do ...	2,13,081-0-0	0-0-0	
3. Debts decreed in A. D. 1393 under the E. E. Rules.	50,051-0-0	0-0-0	
4. Debt due to the Cutch State incurred in St. 1912.	66,476-0-3	7,198-0-0	
5. Do—due to-Do on account of the Wavania Port Trust Fund	17,500-0-0		under consideration.
TOTAL Rs.	4,94,543-13-3	13,197-0 0	

During the revenue year under report Rs. 26,646-0-0 were paid towards debts on account of interest. The accounts of the Cutch debt No. 4 were carefully compared with the Cutch State accounts during the year and 66,476 instead of Rs. 66,407 shown last year on account of principal were found due by the Taluka.

CHAPTER VI.

VITAL STATISTICS.

35. There was no addition to the number of dispensaries during the year. There is only one dispensary at Maliya incharge of a Hospital Assistant and under the supervision of the Agency Surgeon,

Hospital and Dispensaries.

36. The Native Vaid at Khakhrechi, who is paid Rs. 125 a year by the State, continues to dispense medicines to the people of that village.

37. Beyond cleaning and lighting the streets of Maliya and maintaining a peon to supervise those arrangements, no special measures except the provision of one more rubbish cart were taken on this account during the year under report. For the purposes of Sanitation in other villages of the Taluka the spirit of the Agency Village Police Rules of 1891 is followed by the Village Police of the Taluka.

Sanitation.

38. Vaccination continues under the supervision of the Agency Surgeon and an Agency vaccinator visits the State. He vaccinated 151 children during the year.

Vaccination.

39. Appendix XXIII shows the details of the Medical relief afforded. The daily average attendance was 56 out-door and ·05 in-door patients as compared to 55 out-door and ·03 in-door patients in the previous year.

Medical.

40. The number of births and deaths increased by 24 and 10 respectively. The births show an increase of 2·65 and deaths an increase of 1·10 per mille over the figures of the preceding year. Arrangements were made during the year to increase the accuracy of registration. Statistics are collected as elsewhere in the province by the village police. Except a few cases of small-pox in Khakhrechi and two other villages there was no epidemic in the Taluka.

Births and Deaths.

CHAPTER VII.

Education.

41. Appendix XXV furnishes particulars regarding the schools maintained by the Maliya Taluka. The number of schools remained the same. There was an increase of 17·68 in the average attendance during the year.

42. Education is imparted upto Standard III in English at Maliya and there and elsewhere upto Standard VII in the Vernacular. In order to encourage education among the Mianas, free books and slates are given to Miana boys who are also exempted from the ordinary school fees 3 scholarships of Rs. 1, 2 and 3 p. m. have been established during the year and are awardable to Miana boys as stated below :—

Below Ver. Standard IV—	One rupee p. m.
Ver. Standards IV, V, & VI or English Standard I & II	Rs. 2 p. m.
Ver. Standard VII or English Standard III.	Rs. 3 p. m.

Two special scholarships of the value of Rs. 3 p. m. to the two senior Miana boys studying in a High School or Male Training College have been also established. There is a Special Miana Teacher in the Maliya School.

43. Rs. 128 were received on account of school fees as compared to Rs. 171 received during the preceding year. The expenditure under the Heading Education was Rs. 2,666-12-4 as compared to Rs. 2,339-1-5 in the preceding year.

44. In the year under report the Political Agent visited all the Taluka Schools and in March last distributed prizes at the Girls and boys Schools at Maliya.

CHAPTER VIII.

Library. 45. There is a small library at Maliya maintained by the State.

Printing Press. 46. There is no printing press in the Taluka.

Miana debts. 47. To ascertain and adjust the exact liabilities of the Mianas which are now estimated at about Rs. 64,000 the services of a Special Accountant have been recently applied for.

48. An export duty of Re. 1 per Maund is levied by the State upon all cotton exports except the produce of Miana and Bhayati lands. The cotton exports of the Mianas are subject to a specially reduced State duty of annas 8 per Maund only while from Bhayati villages the State realizes by special agreement a lump sum of Rs. 375 and of 8 p. c. on total realizations respectively from the two villages of Wadharva and Kumbharia only. The revenue derived from these and various other levies in the State villages such as Dan, Upni, Labhvati etc., which under the general name of Mandvi or customs are farmed out every year and constitute the largest item in the realizations of the year under report, is shown under the general head Sayer in Appendix XXII of this report.

Customs.

49. The sum of Rs. 22,763 and odd which is entered against that item in the year under report was actually made up as follows:—

Opium	730
Liquor	485
Salt	279
Customs	20,024
Bhang and Ganja	44
Bham	1,135
Other farms	67
	22,764

And the sum of Rs. 20,024 entered against customs or Mandvi includes both the usual customs farms and the State cotton duty as well as the sums realized from the two Bhayati Villages of Wadharva and Kumbharia.

50. Mandvi, which is also levied at various rates by the proprietors concerned in Bhayati or Giras Villages, is in the State Villages still levied at the rates shown in the statement attached to last year's report.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

F. deB. HANCOCK, MAJOR.

Political Agent, incharge Maliya State.

APPENDIX I.

Name of high officials in the Maliya State and Residency officials showing changes in personnel during the year, 1908-09.

Name of officer.	Appointment.	Period.		Remarks.
		From.	To.	
Major F. deB. Hancock.	Political Agent and Manager Maliya state.	1—4—08	31—3—09	
Azam Meruji Dosaji Chudasma.	Thandar Maliya...	1—4—08	31—3—09	

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APPENDIX II.

List of Laws in force in the Maliya State during the year 1908—09.

Description.	Whether adopted from British Indian Acts.	Introduced during the year under report.	Remarks.
Civil and Criminal	British Indian Acts adopted in toto.		
Explosive substance Act.	British Indian Act. No. 6 of 1908.	Introduced in December 1908. ...	In the absence of any specific enactments the spirit of all British enactments is followed by the courts of this Taluka.
Limitation	Agency Regulations...		
Registration and stamp rules	Adopted for the State but in the spirit of the British Laws.		
Rules of the better control of the Mianas.		Introduced in May 1904.	

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APPENDIX III.

Statement showing the strength, cost, and other particulars of the Military Force in the Maliya State for the year 1908—09.

Arm of service.	Number of fighting officers and men.						Details of force at the end of the current year.						Total cost on account of pay and allowance of the force including followers.	Remarks
	At the end of last year.	Recruited this year.	Casualties.			At the end of the current year.	Number of regiments, Battalions or Batteries.	Number of guns.	Number of men.					
			Died.	Invalided.	Discharged deserted, &c.				European commissioned officers.	Native commissioned officers.	Non—commissioned officers.	Fighting men.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Cavalry	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Sappers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Artillery	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Infantry	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Imperial Service Troops	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	

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APPENDIX IV.

Statement showing the strength, cost, discipline and education of the Police, in the Maliya State for the year 1908-09.

Description of office.	Number.	Pay of grade.	Total cost.	Punishments.			Rewards.		Education.		Remarks.
				Dismissed.	Fined, degraded or suspended departmentally.	Punsihed Judicially.	By promotion.	By money.	Number able to read and write.	Number under instruction.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Fouzdar or Chief Constable.	1	60+10 H. A.	70×12=840	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	
Jamadar	1	25 "	25×12=300	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	
Naiques.	7	13	91×12=1092	1	2	...	4	...	2	5	
Constables...	6	10	60×12=720	...	...	...	3	...	2	4	
Do.	3	9	27×12=324	...	1	...	3	...	2	1	
Do.	14	8	112×12=1344	1	2	...	2	...	9	5	
Mounted Police Naique.	1	13+20	33×12=396	...	1	...	...	...	...	....	
Sowar	1	11+20	31×12=372	...	...	...	1	...	...	....	
Do.	4	10+20	120×12=1440	...	...	...	4	...	2	2	
Do.	2	9+20	58×12=696	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	
Camel Sowar.	2	11+14	50×12=600	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	
Do.	1	10+14	24×12=288	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	
Do.	1	8+14	22×12=264	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	
Total....	44	329	723×12=8676	2	7	...	22	...	23	18	

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APPENDIX V.

Statement showing the working of the Police in Maliya State during the year 1908-09.

State.	Number of offences.		Number of accused arrested.		Number of accused sent for trial.		Number of accused convicted.		Number of accused acquitted or discharged.		Percentage of convictions (columns 4 and 5)		Percentage convicted of accused sent for trial.		Remarks.
	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Maliya.	35	38	83	68	78	58	51	46	16	7	61.44	67.64	65-38	79-31	5. under trial.

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APPENDIX VI.

Statement showing the value of property stolen and amount of recoveries in the Maliya State during the year 1908-09.

State.	Amount stolen.		Amount recovered.		Percentage of recoveries of property stolen.		Remarks.
	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Maliya.	591-1-1	306-12-6	548-1-1	160-0-9	92.72	52.11	

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APPENDIX VII.

Statement showing the number of crimes committed, number of cases disposed of, and cases awaiting trial in the Maliya State during the year 1908-09.

Description of offences.	Number of offences.			Number of cases disposed of during the past year.	Number of cases disposed of during the present year.	Number of persons apprehended.	Number of persons convicted.	Number of persons sentenced.						Number of persons acquitted or discharged.	Number of persons confined being insane.	Number of persons died during or before trial.	Term of imprisonment.									Awaiting trial.	Remarks.
								Imprisonment.		Imprisonment & fine.																	
	Balance from past year.	Committed during the present year.	Total.					Simple.	Rigorous.	Simple.	Rigorous.	Fine only.	Whipping.	Total.				Under 1 month.	From 1 to 2 months.	From 2 to 3 months.	From 3 to 6 months.	From 6 to 12 months.	From 1 to 2 years.	From 2 to 3 years.	From 3 to 5 years.	Above 5 years.	Transportation.	Capital punishment.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Theft, house breaking, Hurt, Hurt and grivious hurt with dangerous weapon. Dacoity, Criminal misappropriation, Criminal breach of trust, Mischief, Receiving Stolen property, offences relating to marriage, Criminal Intimidation offences against Miana Regulations Gambling and violation of Arms rules.	5	117	122	117	121	222	106	4	18	1	12	61	10	106	109	...	...	20	3	2	4	4	2	...	...	....	...	...	5	2 Committed to the Court of

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APPENDIX VIII.

Statement showing the number of offences reported and dealt with by the various Courts in the Maliya State during the year 1908-09.

Number.	Names of Courts of the State.	No. of offences reported during the year.		Number of persons dealt with.								Persons disposed of.					Persons remaining at the end of the year.	Remarks.
				Remaining at the end of last year.	Brought to trial in 1908—1909.					Total.		Discharged without trial.	Acquitted.	Convicted.	Committed or referred.	Died, escaped, or transferred.		
		Past year.	Present year.		Arrested by Police.	Upon Warrant.	On summons.	Voluntary.	Arrested in presence of the Magistrate.	Past year.	Present year.							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
1	Assistant Sessions Judge.	1	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	4	2	...	2	...	...	....	...	
2	Political Agent's Court.	5	3	...	5	1	....	...	...	12	6	...	4	2	....	...	...	* One of these was a sessions case which was dealt with by the sessions Court,
3	Maliya Thana Court.	104	104*	13	55	69	33	39	2	227	211	96	4	96	10	...	5	
4	Khakhrechi.	5	8	1	3	1	6	...	....	10	11	2	1	8	...	...	...	
	Total	115	117	14	65	71	39	39	2	253	230	98	11	106	10	...	5	

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APPENDIX IX.

Statement showing the results of appeals against decisions passed by the Criminal Courts in the Maliya State during the year 1908-09.

Tribunals.	Number of applications.	Number of persons and cases.																Remarks.
		Applications rejected.		Sentences.						Proceedings quashed.		Referred.		Further enquiry &c. ordered.		Pending.		
				Confirmed.		Modified.		Reversed.										
		Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	Persons.	Cases.	
Political Agent Maliya	5	7	4	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	

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APPENDIX X.

Civil work-Nature & value of original suits filed & disposed of in the Court of the Maliya State during the year 1908—09.

Tribunals.	Opening balance.		Filed during the year, received by transfer or on remand.		Total.		Disposed of during the year.		Closing balance.		Suits filed during the present year.										Suits disposed of during the present year.						Remarks.
	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Value.	Suits re-landed property.	Suits for money transactions.	Suits for other rights.	No. of suits under Rs. 100.	No. of suits above Rs. 100 and under Rs. 500.	No. of suits above Rs. 500 and under Rs. 1000.	No. of suits above Rs. 1000 and under Rs 5000.	No. of Suits above Rs 5000.	Exparte.	Admitted and compromised.	Struck off the file.	Otherwise disposed of.	Value.	Average duration.	
																									y.m.d.	
Poll. Agent's Court	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	..	7500-0-0	.	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	7500-0-0	0-0-1	
Maliya Thana Court	4	12	41	38	45	50	33	35	12	15	1788-0-0	6	29	3	29	6	...	...	...	4	28	3	...	2193-0-0	0-3-20	
Khakhrechi Vahivâtdar's Court...	2	2	14	11	16	13	14	12	2	1	456-0-0	...	11	...	11	...	...	...	...	2	5	2	3	426-0-0	0-1-13	
TOTAL.	6	14	55	50	61	64	47	48	14	16	9744-0-0	6	41	3	40	6	...	...	1	6	34	5	3	10119-0-0	0-1-21	

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APPENDIX XI.

Civil work-Results of applications for execution of decrees in Maliya State for the year 1908-09.

Tribunals.	Opening balance.		Value of opening balance for present year.	Applications brought to the Register.			Total.			Disposed of.			Closing balance.			Nature of applications pending disposal at the close of 1908-09			Remarks.
	Past year.	Present year.		Past year.	Present year.	Value for present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Value for present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Value for present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Value for present year.	Below 6 months.	Below 12 months.	Above 12 months.	
Political Agent's Court.	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	....	...	...	...	...	
Maliya Thana Court.	8	8	624-0-0	30	24	2479 0-0	38	32	3103-0-0	30	24	444-0-0	8	8	2659-0-0	8	...	...	
Khakhrechi Vahivatdar's Court	1	...	...	6	7	238-0-0	7	7	238-0-0	7	7	238-0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Total.	9	8	624-0-0	37	31	2717-0 0	46	39	3341-0-0	38	31	682-0-0	8	8	2659-0-0	8	...	...	

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APPENDIX XII.

Civil work-Number and results of appeals in Civil suits in the Maliya State for the year 1908-09.

Tribunal.	Opening balance.		Filed during.		Total.		Disposed of during.		Closing balance.		Value of appeals filed during.		How disposed of.										Average duration.		Remarks.
													Decisions confirmed		Decisions reversed.		Decisions amended		Cases remanded for retrial		Casescompromised & other wise disposed of.				
	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	
																							y. m. d.	y. m. d.	
Political Agent Maliya.	...	...	2	4	2	4	2	3	...	1	66-0-0	110-0-0	1	2	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	0-2-22	0 3-11	

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APPENDIX XIII.

Statement showing the number of persons confined in the Jails and lock-ups in the Maliya State during the year 1908—09.

Stations.	Number of prisons.	Number of prisoners.				Daily average.		Number of prisoners remaining at the end of the year.	Total cost of Jail & prisoners.	Average period of accused under trial.	Remarks showing mortality among convicts in Jail.
		Remaining from last year.	Admitted during the year.	Total.							
				Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.				
Maliya.	1	1	59	49	60	3.99	4.78	3	823	11.1	

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APPENDIX XIV.

Registration of documents in the Maliya State during the year 1908—09.

Name of State.	Documents presented for registration.		Nature of documents presented.										Documents registered.		Value of documents registered.		Documents of which registry has been refused.		Documents remaining unregistered pending enquiry at the close of the year.		Remarks.
			Mortgages.		Sale deeds.		Wills.		Money bonds.		Miscellaneous.										
	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Maliya.	29	28	24	24	1	3	2	1	...	...	2	...	29	28	16369-0-0	7555-0-0	...	...	...	...	...

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APPENDIX XV.

Statement showing the receipts and expenditure on account of Registration during the year 1908-09.

Description.	Past year.			Present year.			Remarks.
	Number of deeds.	Value of property.	Fees realised.	Number of deeds.	Value of property.	Fees realised.	
Mortgages.....	24	15476 12 ...	94	24	6810	53	
Sale deeds.....	1	193	1 8 ...	3	745	6	
Wills.....	2	400	3 8 ...	1	... ...	1	
Money bonds.....	...	... ...	... ...	...	... ...	... ...	
Miscelleneous.....	2	300	3	...	... ...	... ...	
Total....	29	16369 12 ...	102	28	7555	60	
Deduct expenditure.....	...	... ...	... ...	....	... ...	... ...	
Net profit.....			102	...	... ...	60	

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APPENDIX XVI.

Receipts and Expenditure of Municipalities in the Maliya State during the year 1908-09.

Name.	Opening balance on 1st April.	Receipts during the year.		Total in current year.	Expenditure during the year		Balance on 31st. March.	Remarks.
		Past year.	Present year		Past year.	Present year.		
Maliya	...	...	...	...	852	825	...	

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APPENDIX XVII.

Statement of rain fall in the Maliya State for 1908—09.

Stations.	April 1908.	May 1908.	June 1908.	July 1908.	August 1908.	September 1908.	October 1908.	November 1908.	December 1908.	January 1909.	February 1909.	March 1909.	Total.	Total of the past year.	Average of the past 5 years.	Remarks
Maliya	...	...	I. C. 1.59	I. C. 7.56	I. C. 8.35	...	...	....	...	...	...	...	I. C. 14-50	I. C. 19.86	I. C. 17.22	

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APPENDIX XVIII.

Statement as to prices of Staple food-grains for the year 1908—09.

Articles.	During March (past year).			During March (present year)			Remarks.
	Mds.	Ses.	Tola.	Mds.	Ses.	Tola.	
Bajri	...	22	20	...	20	20	
Wheat	...	18	...	...	20	...	
Jowari	...	24	...	...	24	...	
Gram	...	23	...	...	21	...	
Tuwar	...	11	...	...	11	...	
Mag	...	24	...	...	24	...	
Adad	...	19	...	...	22	...	
Rice 1st kind...	...	8	20	...	10	...	
Do. 2st kind...	...	11	20	...	14	...	
Do. 3st kind...	...	13	20	...	17	...	

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APPENDIX XIX.

Statement showing Expenditure on public works in the State during the year 1908-09.

Description of works.	State funds.			Local funds.			Totals.
	Original.	Repairs.	Total.	Original.	Repairs.	Total.	
Road repairs Traveller's Bungalow & Dharmshala	....	54	54	...	...	...	54
School buildings	...	198	198	....	...	...	198
Hospital	...	37	37	...	...	....	37
Cattle pound.	...	2	2	....	...	...	2
All other state buildiugs.	....	1,735	1,735	...	...	....	1,735

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APPENDIX XX.

Statement showing Agricultural stock in the Maliya State, for the year 1908-09.

District.	Year.	Horses and cattle.									Ploughs.		Carts.		Remarks.
		Bullocks.	Cows.	Buffaloes. Male.	Buffaloes. Female	Horses.	Mares.	Colts and fillies.	Asses	Sheep and goats.	With 2 bullocks.	With 4 bullocks.	Riding.	Load carrying.	
Maliya	1908-09	400	172	35	130	15	5	4	80	1,845	175	...	...	192	
Khakhrechi.	...	976	411	265	230	5	14	6	70	4,252	318	....	33	178	
Total.	...	1,376	583	300	360	20	19	10	150	6,097	493	...	33	370	

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APPENDIX XXI.

Statement showing the Excise Shops and Excise Revenue of the Maliya State during the year 1908--09.

Name of the State.	Country spirit.		Opium.		Ganja.		Tari.		Total.		Remarks.
	Number of shops.	Revenue..	Number of shops.	Revenue.	Number of shops.	Revenue.	Number of shops.	Revenue.	Number of shops.	Revenue.	
Maliya	1	485	1	730	2	44	...	...	4	1,259	

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APPENDIX XXII.

MALIYA STATE.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the year ending October 1908.

	Receipts.	Amount.				Expenditure.	Amount.		
	OPENING BALANCE.	8,772	4	11	1	General Administration.	11,287	13	9
1	Land Revenue.	63,762	5	6	2	Jail charges.	823	7	0
2	Taxes.	6,307	5	10	3	Police.	15,063	2	11
3	Sayar.	22,763	10	3	4	Political.	2,709	2	6
4	Law & Justice.	1,624	0	7	5	Bardashi Khata	118	13	4
5	Education....	127	15	0	6	Education.	2,666	12	4
6	Interest.	158	4	6	7	Forest.	115	12	0
7	Miscellaneous.	4,005	0	1	8	Public Works.	3,523	10	8
8	Adjustment.	...	...	...		Karadia Rs. 1796-6-5 }	...	...	...
9	Deposits.	1,198	11	11		Other works. „ 1727-4-3 }	...	...	...
10	Refuuds of Advances &c...	26,330	2	9	9	Darbar charges.	31,043	12	5
					10	Allowances &c.	296	4	9

		Tacavi ... ... 2,051 -5-6	...	...	...	11	Traveller's Bungalow.	...	...	...
		Other Advances ... 19,610-11-3	...	...	...	12	Municipality	824	12	5
		Outstandings.... ... 4668 -2-0	...	...	..	13	Medical.	1,345	14	10
11	Refund.	0	7	0	14	Revenue Survey.	171	11	4
			—	—	15	Miscellaneous.	410	9	1
		Total	1,26,277	15	5	16	Adjustment.	...	...	...
		Grand Total... ...	1,35,050	4	4	17	Refunds.	95	11	5
						18	Debts. &c. repaid.	26,645	15	5
						19	Deposit repaid.	1,457	9	11
						20	Advances & outstandings.	15,298	0	4
							891- 7-9 Tacavi.			
							4455-15-4 } Other Advances. 8797- 7-0 }			
							1153-2-3 Outstandings.			
							TOTAL ...	1,13,899	0	5
							CLOSING ...	21,151	3	11
							GRAND TOTAL ...	1,35,050	4	4

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F. deB. HANCOCK, MAJOR.

Political Agent Maliyá.

APPENDIX XXIII.

Statement of Medical Relief afforded in the Maliya State during the year 1908-09

Dispensary.	Number of patients treated.		Results of in-door patients				Expendiure.	Daily average.	Remarks.
	Out-door.	In-door.	Discharged	Absented.	Died.	Remaining. under treatment			
Maliya Dispensary	4,783	10	9	...	1	...	1,346	Out-door 55 & In-door .05	

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APPENDIX XXIV.

Vital statistics of the Maliya State for the year 1908—09.

Name.	Population.	Births.		Increase.	Decrease.	Deaths.		Increase.	Decrease.	Ratio per 1,000 of population.				Remarks.
										Births.		Deaths.		
		Past year.	Present year.			Past year.	Present year.			Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	
Maliya.	9,075	433	457	24	...	327	337	10	...	47.71	50.36	36.03	37.13	

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APPENDIX XXV.

Particulars as to the schools maintained by the Maliya State for the year 1908—09.

Number of schools.		Description of schools.	Number of pupils on roll on 31st March.		Daily average attendance.		Expenditure.			Remarks.
Past year.	Present year.		Past year.	Present year.	Past year.	Present year.	High schools.	Secondary.	Primary.	
1	1	Maliya composite School	143	137	106.21	122	....	...	750-3-4	
1	1	Do. Girl School	45	46	39.8	34.7	...	...	300-0-0	
1	1	Khakhrechi Vernaculer School ...	67	52	36.8	33.5	...	...	403-2-7	
1	1	Do. Girl School.	29	34	24.2	29.8	...	...	144-0-0	
1	1	Vadharwa Vernacular School ...	36	35	34.2	34.5	...	...	238-2-2	
1	1	Kumbharia Do.	14	14	7.1	12	....	...	150-0-0	
1	1	Nawagam Do.	22	22	19.75	18	...	...	150-0-0	
1	1	Kataria Do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	73-5-3	
8	8	Total...	356	340	226.17	284.5	....	...	2,208-13-4	

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